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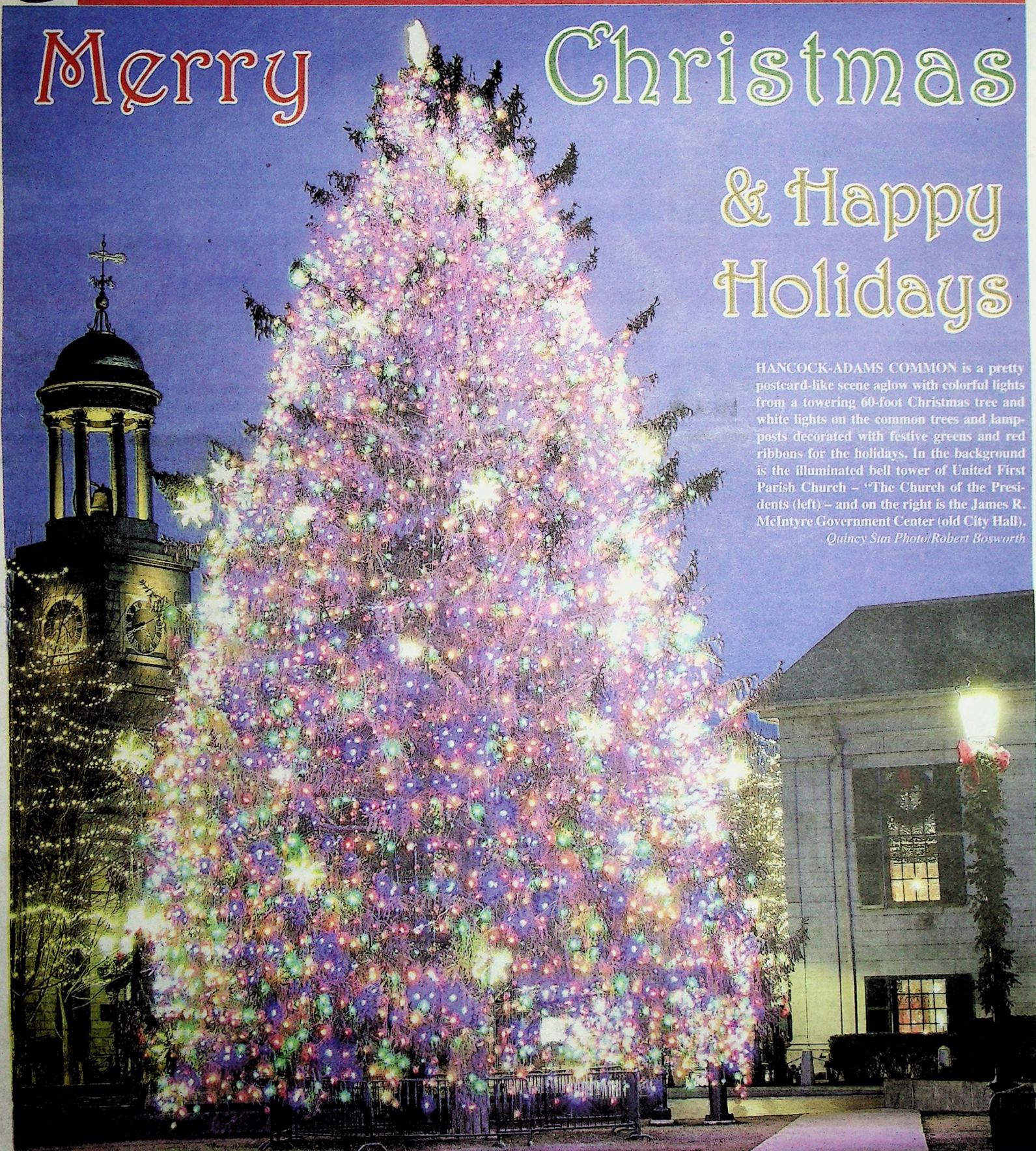
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## Merry

## Christmas

## & Happy Holidays

HANCOCK-ADAMS COMMON is a pretty postcard-like scene aglow with colorful lights from a towering 60-foot Christmas tree and white lights on the common trees and lamp-posts decorated with festive greens and red ribbons for the holidays. In the background is the illuminated bell tower of United First Parish Church - "The Church of the Presidents" (left) - and on the right is the James R. McIntyre Government Center (old City Hall).  
*Quincy Sun Photo/Robert Bosworth*



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**BEECHWOOD KNOLL SCHOOL** fifth graders are among the fifth graders in Quincy Public Schools and Quincy Catholic Academy who submitted replies to "If I Could Give One Gift This Holiday Season It Would Be..." The responses have been a holiday tradition in *The Quincy Sun*. Courtesy Photo

## If I Could Give One Gift This Holiday Season

Fifth grade students in Quincy's public schools and the Quincy Catholic Academy were invited again this year to write the answer to one question for this special issue of *The Quincy Sun*.

This year's theme is: "If I Could Give One Gift This Holiday Season It Would Be..."

We want to thank Quincy Public Schools Assistant

Supt. Erin Perkins for coordinating the public schools' participation and the principals and classroom teachers of those schools.

We also thank Kelly McDonough of the Quincy Catholic Academy for her assistance, too.

Teachers were also invited to submit a photo of their class along with the responses. As you read these

wishes it is apparent that the sentiments expressed by the fifth grade students in Quincy continue to be thoughtful, heart-warming and inspiring. Many are bound to make you smile, too.

To all who took part, we extend warmest holiday greetings. Thank you all, most sincerely.

Robert Bosworth  
*Publisher, The Quincy Sun*

It would be to give my best friend Elijah Jordan 4's. I want to give him that because he wanted them for a long time.

Darnell Sauls  
Snug Harbor

I want to give my friend Darnell an Xbox Series X. Because he is a very good friend to me.

Elijah Hannibal  
Snug Harbor

It would be to give pets from the shelter a home. I want to give it because I feel like every pet needs a home.

Gabriella Roman  
Snug Harbor

It would be to give all of my past teachers their favorite stuff because they are the best teachers that I ever had and they help me learn more stuff and get smarter.

Horace Huang  
Snug Harbor

I would like to give my mom a house. I would give this gift because she has been wanting one.

Isabella Peterson  
Snug Harbor

I want to give my family anything they want, (as long as it is in the 15\$ range so that I have enough money for everybody), because I

want to show my appreciation for them since I don't feel like I show it much.

Izaiah Wakhweya  
Snug Harbor

I would like to give my mom and family a new house. I want to give my mom a new house because she works so hard for me and my siblings.

Jacqueline Tan  
Snug Harbor

It would be to give my brother a PS5. I want to give this gift because he's wanted it for a long time now.

Julian Pagan  
Snug Harbor

A new house for my mom and I to live in because she has wanted to move for a while.

Kayden Dowling  
Snug Harbor

I would like to give all my teachers that I have had in the past, chocolates. I would give this because they are the best teachers I had.

Sarah Luu  
Snug Harbor

I want to give my dad a new house. I want to give him a new house because I think he deserves a nice big house.

Savannah Nguyen  
Snug Harbor

It would be to give peace in the Middle East. I want to give this because for many years many innocent people have died.

Youness Messoudi  
Snug Harbor

It would be love to my mother. I want to give it to her as she gives me love and doesn't get as much atten-

tion as she deserves.

Anthony Chen  
Snug Harbor

I would give Ms. Mazza a promotion for taking care of us and teaching us. She takes her time to teach us even if it takes hours.

Kate Chen  
Snug Harbor

My donation would be to my friend Lucas and I would give him a hunting and survival kit because he likes nature and I think he would enjoy it. P.S. he has a big backyard and lives near a forest.

William Cosgrove  
Snug Harbor

I want to give my wish to my mom because she is the best mother ever and I would give her a lot of money so we can move away and get a new house. I would do this because I really love her and it is our dream to have a new house and place.

Jasmine Crespo Pena  
Snug Harbor

I would give my grandmother happiness. I want to give her that because I want her to be happy no matter what.

Queenie Huang  
Snug Harbor

I want to give Ms. Mazza puppies because she loves puppies and I want to make her happy.

Jaelyn Jarrett  
Snug Harbor

I would give Jacob my classmate a gift because he has been my best friend since kindergarten. I would gift him my Roblox account because he would be excited because a rich person added me and he could gift him Robux.

Emanuel Montero  
Snug Harbor

I would let my mom not cook or clean for a whole day. I want to give her that because I feel bad for her for always cleaning and cooking and she gets really tired.

Nooran Naes  
Snug Harbor

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**PANORAMIC PHOTO** of the holiday lights at Hancock-Adams Common. *Quincy Sun Photo/Robert Bosworth*



# Work To Commence At New FB Golf Course Clubhouse

Commissioner of Natural Resources Dave Murphy announces work to construct a new clubhouse at the city's Furnace Brook Golf Course clubhouse will be underway shortly. Residents should see utility and site work beginning in the next two weeks.

The new building will replace the old 1926, non-accessible building. The clubhouse will feature a new pro shop, dining area, covered porch with views, locker rooms and four golf simulators.

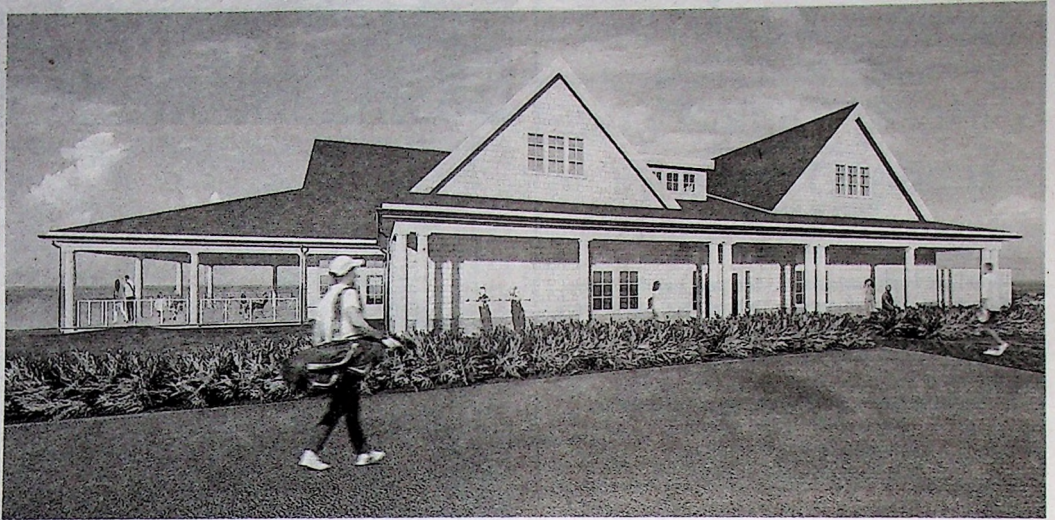
G & R Construction of Hanover was the low bidder for the \$11 million project. The old clubhouse building has already been demolished and removed by City personnel, saving close to \$40,000, the city stated in a press release.

The initial work will involve the installation of new utility lines under the

existing parking lot and down the driveway toward Summit Avenue. Golfers should expect some brush clearing and minor tree removal along the first tee by the Summit Avenue driveway as the old sewer line is replaced. Most of the early impacts will be in this area along the driveway.

"I want to thank the public that participated in the design of this project," said Murphy. "When finished, this will be a project that can benefit this neighborhood tremendously. I appreciate everyone's patience through the construction process. Construction can be messy and inconvenient but when we are done this will be a fantastic asset for the city."

The Department of Natural Resources will keep regular updates on the project on its webpage. Site work will occur during the win-



**ARTIST RENDERING** of the new \$11 million clubhouse that will be constructed at the Furnace Brook Golf Course. Construction will be underway shortly according to city officials. The new building will replace the old 1926, non-accessible building. The clubhouse will feature a new pro shop, dining area, covered porch with views, locker rooms and four golf simulators. G & R Construction of Hanover was the low bidder for the \$11 million project. *Rendering Courtesy City of Quincy*

ter and building construction will commence in the late-winter. The project is expected to be completed in late-2024 or early-2025. adjacent Forbes Hill Park will also take place in 2024.

## Zoning Board OKs Cannabis Dispensary On Quincy Avenue

By SCOTT JACKSON

The Zoning Board of Appeals green-lit a proposal to open a new recreational cannabis dispensary on Quincy Avenue near the Braintree town line despite concerns from area residents.

The board on Dec. 12 granted a variance, a special permit and a special permit/flood plain to Chill & Bliss LLC, who plan to open the dispensary at 503 Quincy Ave. The applicant must also receive approval from state regulators before opening.

The building the dispensary would operate out of was formerly a Burger King and was also a bank, though it is now vacant.

"It's been overgrown for a long time," the applicant's attorney, David Mahoney, said of the site. "They really ignored the property, as you can see. My client has a proposal to clean it up and put a marijuana dispensary there."

Mahoney said his client needed a variance for the dispensary because of the site's proximity to the nearby Braintree Moose Lodge, which has a liquor license. Though the building is located in a neighboring town, the property is partially in Quincy, he said.

"It's unusual because the Moose Lodge is in Braintree," Mahoney said. "In general zoning principles end at the town line or the city line, but because part of the property of the Moose Lodge is in Quincy, the building department thought it was prime for a request

for a variance."

The co-founder of the proposed dispensary, Brian Wall, also owns Flower & Soul, a recreational dispensary that opened in Halifax in June 2022. He said that dispensary has given back to the town.

"We have done a lot for the town," Wall said. "We've brought back the Halifax fireworks that we've sponsored every year since opening and we give back 40 hours per employee of community service...and we've had no issues."

Wall said the site on Quincy Avenue would be a good location for a dispensary.

"The reason we like the area is because it's a dilapidated building. It's an area that needs some love. In Halifax, we took an old warehouse and converted it into a dispensary," he said.

"We look at it as it's at a street light, it's a high-volume street, it borders two towns that don't allow recreational marijuana in Braintree and Weymouth, so it gives us a larger pool of potential customers, and it has access in multiple spots."

The site on Quincy Avenue has three curb cuts — two on West Howard Street and one on Quincy Avenue. Karlis Skulte, the applicant's engineer, said the curb cuts on West Howard Street would remain as is while the one on Quincy Avenue would be only for right-turns in and right-turns out.

## Early Deadline For Dec. 28, Jan. 4 Editions

Because of the Christmas and New Year's Day holidays, there is an early news and advertising deadline for the Dec. 28th and Jan. 4th issues of The Quincy Sun.

News and advertising for the Dec. 28th edition should be submitted by Thursday, Dec. 21st at noon.

News and advertising for the Jan. 4th edition should

be submitted by Thursday, Dec. 28th at noon.

The Quincy Sun office is located at 1372 Hancock St., Quincy Center. The office will be closed Monday,

Dec. 25 and Tuesday, Dec. 26 and Monday, Jan. 1 and Tuesday, Jan. 2nd.

Best wishes for happy and healthy holidays.



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This Holiday Season!

*'Tis the season to give back, and there's no better way to do so than with these charitable tasks that are fun and free:*

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- Reconcile a disagreement.*
- Brighten the day of a child.*
- Be attentive to your loved ones.*
- Reconnect with an old friend.*
- Respond thoughtfully and gently.*
- Perform a good deed without recognition.*
- Reflect before expressing yourself.*
- Admit mistakes. Express remorse.*
- Share a treasured tradition.*
- Strive for empathy and understanding.*
- Allow others grace. Marvel at nature's beauty.*
- Give your appreciation to the most important people in your life.*
- Giving back is the ultimate gift of all!***

To all our customers, friends, and community members — THANK YOU! We appreciate you and wish you a happy holiday season and prosperous new year. We look forward to another great year of serving you in 2024!



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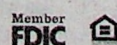
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FIFTH GRADE STUDENTS BERNAZZANI SCHOOL Courtesy Photo

## Moments in time

THE HISTORY CHANNEL.

• On Jan. 1, 2011, the Oprah Winfrey Network (OWN) debuted on television. The "Queen of All Media" had previously described her vision for the network as one that "inspires our viewers and makes them want to be who they are on their best day."

• On Jan. 2, 1919, locksmith and far-right politician Anton Drexler founded the German Workers' Party, the forerunner of the Nazi Party, in Munich, Germany, from a group that met regularly to discuss political matters. Among other things, the party advocated for nationalism and extreme antisemitism.

• On Jan. 3, 1521, Martin Luther was excommunicated from the Roman Catholic Church by Pope Leo X after he failed to recant 41 parts of his Ninety-Five Theses, which started the Protestant Reformation. The pope had called the offending statements heretical, scandalous and offensive to pious ears, though he did not specify exactly which ones fell under that category.

• On Jan. 4, 1957, the Hamilton Electric 500 watch made its public debut. It was the first timepiece to never need winding (though it did need frequent battery replacement) and came in "modern" asymmetrical designs to reflect its revolutionary technology. Production ended 12 years later with the advanced technology of quartz movements that rendered the "watch of the future" obsolete.

• On Jan. 5, 1992, a landslide that occurred near San Francisco killed 33 people and caused the Golden Gate Bridge to close. Heavy rain in the amount of nearly half of the city's average annual precipitation had previously fallen for a straight 36 hours.

• On Jan. 6, 2000, a severe flu outbreak in the United Kingdom caused National Health Service hospitals to be stretched to their limits, leaving many forced to cancel all non-emergency surgeries and facing intensive care bed shortages. The outbreak was blamed on a low rate of flu vaccinations.

• On Jan. 7, 1927, the first transatlantic telephone service was established. A three-minute call between New York and London cost about \$45, which would translate to roughly \$550 today.

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**The Garden Bug**

Star of Bethlehem

Ornithogalum umbellatum forms carpets of low-growing foliage that are topped with star-shaped white flowers in the spring. It's great for keeping a sunny bank of soil from eroding away, as an accent in a sunny garden, or for covering exposed roots under trees or shrubs. Its flowers are rich with nectar and pollen and attract bees and other pollinators. - Brenda Weaver

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I would give Queenie, my classmate Newjeans photo cards. I want to give that to her because she gave me 5 tickets and she deserves it because she is a great friend.

Missiel Peralta Guerrero  
Snug Harbor

I would give my mom 1 hour of her time and do all the chores for her. I would give my mom 1 hour of her time because she works very hard around the house and she does not get a lot of free time to rest and she also has two very hard working jobs.

Nora Tobin  
Snug Harbor

I would give my friend a roblox gift card.

Jacob Wright  
Snug Harbor

Give my friend Will new football gloves and cleats.

Lucas Fortune-Balcum  
Snug Harbor

One holiday gift that I would give this holiday season would be for everyone to have good health and a warm place to sleep.

Claire Buchholz  
Bernazzani School

If I could give one gift this holiday season it would be to give homes to the people that suffered losses in the Hawaii wildfires.

Maggie Burns  
Bernazzani School

This holiday season I would give food and shelter to the homeless because everyone deserves to be happy and warm this season.

Halsey Cajuste  
Bernazzani School

One holiday gift that I would give this holiday season would be to give my sis-

ter a lifesize cat plushie because she really loves cats.

Emilio Fernandez  
Bernazzani School

One holiday gift that I would give this holiday season would be \$100,000 to the American Red Cross. I would give this because they do alot to help people and require lots of money to accomplish this.

Cien Gong  
Bernazzani School

If I could give one gift this holiday season it would be for everyone in the world to have nice warm and happy homes.

Eric Huang  
Bernazzani School

This holiday season I want to give food to the poor and homeless. Many people are struggling to feed their families and I want to make sure everyone has food to eat.

Exsaviel Jaime  
Bernazzani School

This holiday season I would give for everyone to have fortune and success in life and have joy in everything they do.

Jeira Kery  
Bernazzani School

One holiday gift that I would give this season would be to give the gift of good health to my uncle.

Klara Kline  
Bernazzani School

This holiday season I want to give my parents money so they can treat themselves to whatever they want. They are always so hardworking and dedicated to their children.

Cassidy Lawless  
Bernazzani School

One holiday gift that I would give this holiday sea-

son would be to give everyone a day off so they can enjoy spending time with their families.

Christopher Less  
Bernazzani School

If I could give one gift this holiday season it would be a new car for my hardworking mom. She deserves it.

Kathleen Nguyen  
Bernazzani School

This holiday season I want to give food to the homeless. I feel bad that they don't have much and maybe a meal would make their day.

Matteo O'Brien  
Bernazzani School

If I could give one gift this holiday season, it would be to give my mom more time off of work. She works hard everyday for me and my brothers.

Olivia O'Connor  
Bernazzani School

One holiday gift that I would like this holiday season would be to give warm and safe shelters for Israel.

Maeve O'Donnell  
Bernazzani School

If I could have one gift this holiday season it would be to give my friend a better iPad. His is an older version and in poor condition.

Kenneth Rath  
Bernazzani School

This holiday season I want to give my parents a trip to Hawaii because they are so hardworking and deserve it.

Rodjy St. Cloud  
Bernazzani School

One holiday gift that I would give this holiday season would be Pokemon toys to my brother. He's been begging my parents for

years so this would make him happy.

Lucas Tang  
Bernazzani School

If I could give one gift this holiday season it would be a necklace for my mom with sapphires in it. She loves wearing necklaces and the blue color of sapphires.

Chase Witham  
Bernazzani School

A new house for my mom and dad. It's a little small for us but I do love it.

Evelyn Paulk  
Beechwood Knoll

A bigger house to live in because there are people coming so we need a bigger house.

Nathan-Cliff Dejean  
Beechwood Knoll

Enough money for all of the homeless and poor so they can get a good paying job and not have to worry about being on the streets.

Vanessa Liu  
Beechwood Knoll

I would give a friend money so she could get the things she wants. I've known her since Kindergarten and she's my friend.

Joyce Gao  
Beechwood Knoll

An iPad Air for students that need it for school. I'd like them to use it for projects and taking notes.

Jayden Chen  
Beechwood Knoll

My dog the greatest bed in the whole universe because he really loves beds.

Reece Chappelle  
Beechwood Knoll

For my grandfather's leg to heal faster because he fell and I care for him deeply.

Matthias Jae  
Beechwood Knoll

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## Scenes From Yesterday



### MERRY CHRISTMAS from QUINCY, MASS.

**Largest Christmas Tree in United States.  
85 feet high contributed by Retail Merchants.**

THIS 1934 POSTCARD is a view of the Christmas tree erected by the Retail Merchants Bureau of the Quincy Chamber of Commerce. It was in front of the Granite Trust Bank building now home to a branch of the Bank of America at 1400 Hancock St. Two weeks before this tree was lit a smaller tree was dedicated on the same spot, but it was toppled by a 55-mile-per-hour gale. MIT engineers brought in to prevent a recurrence claimed this new 85-foot tree could withstand winds to 240 mph. The first 60 feet of the trunk, set firmly into the ground, was the boom from a derrick donated by the Swingle Quarry Co. It was capable of lifting 20 tons of granite. On top of the boom was attached a 25-foot real tree. Three hundred and twenty smaller trees salvaged from the collapsed tree were inserted into holes drilled into the boom to serve as the lower branches. Six nearly

one-inch thick cables secured the tree from all sides, and some 600 lights accompanied a large and small star that flashed alternately at the top. On the occasion of the tree lighting, a spectacular scintillator on top of the bank building threw a great fan of light in all colors more than a mile into the sky. Inside the bank the lobby and all the building's windows were lighted each day with over 1,200 real vigil candles. Howard Johnson's Restaurant was the store on the left at One Chestnut Street. On the right at 1402 Hancock St. was Homer's, a jewelry store that in 1940 became Rogers Jewelry Company. Rogers Jewelry was located here for many years until relocating to Presidents Place at 1250 Hancock St. in 2019. This postcard has become a tradition in The Quincy Sun and is appearing for the 29th year.

*From the Tom Galvin Postcard Collection*

## Quincy's Yesterdays

This Week  
**1969**  
54 Years Ago

### Quincy Soldier 'Santa' For Vietnam Orphans

Specialist 4 Raymond D. Crombie hasn't been home for Christmas in three years. He won't be this year either. He won't join his six brothers and four sisters and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Crombie around the Christmas tree at 1276 Sea St., Houghs Neck. Instead, Ray will be playing a starring role in South Vietnam. Because of his knowledge of the Vietnamese language and his love for children, Ray was chosen to visit six orphanages as "Santa Claus" on Christmas Day.

Ray, in his second tour of duty with the Army in Vietnam, is a member of the "Kit Carson Scouts," working with the 25th Infantry Division in Cu Chi. Part of his work is in the villages and hamlets, working directly with the people, finding out what they need and supplying them with materials so they can repair their churches, schools and public buildings.

#### FIVE FAITHS IN CHRISTMAS EVE PEACE SERVICE AT JEWISH CENTER

An Ecumenical Peace Service, the first of its kind in Quincy, with participants from five faiths, was planned for Christmas Eve at 8 p.m. at the Jewish Community Center, 10 Merrymount Road.

Taking part in the unique Ecumenical Peace Service will be Samuel Hassan from the Islamic Mosque; Rabbi David Jacobs of Temple Beth El; Dr. Bradford E. Gale, minister United First Parish Church; Rev. Frank Fairbairn, curate at Sacred Heart Church in North Quincy and a representative from the Greek Orthodox Church.

The program will focus attention on the tension spots in the world today-Vietnam, Biafra and the Middle East. It is sponsored by the Citizens for Participation Politics, headed by John L. Gillis.

#### QUINCYISMS

Jan. 17, 1970 has been scheduled for examination for entrance to the Quincy Fire Department. The examination will be for firefighters to fill the need for 38 additional men when the new 42-hour week goes into effect in May. The department has worked a 48-hour schedule since 1948 and prior to that a 70-hour week... Six youngsters from the Rock Island Road section of Houghs Neck prepared 150 tray favors and presented them to patients at the Quincy Nursing Home. The youngsters used their own money and materials. Delivering the favors and singing carols were Sharon and Susan Powers, Mary McClelland, Joan Carol, Kathy Morrell and Sheryl Shaw... Leo J. Hannon Realtor, 803 Hancock St., Quincy was asking: "Real Estate Wanted, We Need Singles and Two-Family Homes For Our Qualified Buyers"... A son was born at Quincy City Hospital to Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Boussy, 67 Macy St., Houghs Neck... Members of the Houghs Neck American Legion Post #380 were planning their annual New Year's Eve Party at the Post Home, 1116 Sea St. Their committee included Ernest Fitzgibbons, chairman, Mr. and Mrs. William Timcoe, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Schaffer, Mrs. Elinor Forsythe and David Wenne... Quincy City Engineer Henry F. Nilsen was planning to retire in July 1970 and will be succeeded by Edward A. Leone, present assistant City Engineer. The position pays \$15,729 per year. Mayor James R. McIntyre made the announcement... Charles Cordos of 59 Merrymount Road has been accepted as a member of the Class of 1974 at Bowdoin College... The Hancock Bank declared a year-end extra dividend of 15 cents per share in addition to its regular quarterly dividend of 24 cents a share. William E. Kelley, President, said the dividend would be paid Dec. 31 to shareholders of record on Dec. 15, 1969... Auto Body Clinic, 310 Washington St., Quincy was advertising: "Auto Body Collisions, Repairs, Frame Straightening, All Work Supervised by Charlie Eaton"... Carlson Tire Company was asking: "Looking For Belted Snow Tires?" and answering, "We Have Them-Dunlop Silent Traction Snow Tires"... Blinstrub's Old Colony House, 760 Morrissey Blvd, Dorchester, was suggesting: "Try A Man Size 'T' Bone Steak Served With Salad and Choice of Potato for Only \$4.25"... Seven Quincy and two North Quincy football players were selected to the Greater Boston League's All-Star teams. Quincy players included Cliff Mattson, tackle, Kevin Ryan, quarterback, Tom Daley, running back, Steve Shapiro, defensive tackle, Joe Maguire, middle guard, Rich Pettiti, linebacker and Paul Picarski, halfback. The North Quincy selections were Bobby Bell, center and Jerry Mulcahy, halfback.



# If I Could Give One Gift This Holiday Season

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| I would give my sister a toy.<br>Justin Zou<br>Beechwood Knoll                                                               | A person their favorite stuffed animal.<br>Esther Young<br>Beechwood Knoll                                       | food and clothes.<br>Chloe Yu<br>Beechwood Knoll                                                                                                | because she loves to plant.<br>Lillian Lin<br>Beechwood Knoll                                                                                                                       | sets one hundred thousand dollars.<br>Benjamin Corte<br>Beechwood Knoll                                                                                     | I would give food to a homeless person because homeless people don't get a lot of food.<br>Katelyn Duong<br>Beechwood Knoll                                                                  |
| That every person on this planet can have a roof over their heads and food on the table.<br>Sophia Wang<br>Beechwood Knoll   | Food to the homeless.<br>Rowan Scott<br>Beechwood Knoll                                                          | My friend the \$500 Lego Hogwarts Express collector's edition.<br>Hua Lin<br>Beechwood Knoll                                                    | Stickers to my mom because she likes them.<br>Abigail Zeng<br>Beechwood Knoll                                                                                                       | I would give money to people in need.<br>Kay Mai<br>Beechwood Knoll                                                                                         | It would be a pet for my dad. Any pet would be fine, he would want a pet for a gift.<br>Kennedy Hughes<br>Squantum School                                                                    |
| That people would recycle more or donate money to the children's hospital.<br>Millie Emswiler<br>Beechwood Knoll             | My mom and dad a vacation to Mexico because they work hard every day.<br>Mateo Ballestas<br>Beechwood Knoll      | A phone for my sister because she wants a new one.<br>Catherine Zou<br>Beechwood Knoll                                                          | Food for Mrs. Latini because she's my teacher and I like her.<br>Mathew Zheng<br>Beechwood Knoll                                                                                    | I would give all the kids that don't have families a little teddy bear to bring them some joy for the holiday season.<br>Corrigan Shiner<br>Beechwood Knoll | To give gifts to kids at Boston Children's Hospital. They deserve to have a lovely holiday season.<br>Mary Bonczar<br>Squantum School                                                        |
| To give my sister 100 dollars because she is a nice sister.<br>Jacky Zhang<br>Beechwood Knoll                                | My brother and sister a \$200 roblox gift because they are really kind to me.<br>Nathan Jian<br>Beechwood Knoll  | My parents a trip to Hawaii because they work really hard.<br>Ryan Nelson<br>Beechwood Knoll                                                    | A bowling alley mini toy to someone because it looks cool.<br>Jet Chen<br>Beechwood Knoll                                                                                           | I would give my mom a house.<br>Sophie Power<br>Beechwood Knoll                                                                                             | A giftcard to a restaurant for my parents because they have been working so hard for me and my siblings. Also, no one would get sick or ill.<br>Nora Chencharik<br>Squantum School           |
| A new cat house for my cat.<br>Lucas Wang<br>Beechwood Knoll                                                                 | One million dollars to the homeless shelter because they need the money.<br>Huda Omar<br>Beechwood Knoll         | My family all 2 tickets to China since they want to go I'm doing this because they were always so kind to me.<br>Kaishun Lai<br>Beechwood Knoll | I would give someone in need food and water.<br>Lyndon Nguyen<br>Beechwood Knoll                                                                                                    | I would give my uncle a car.<br>Katalyna Guinto<br>Beechwood Knoll                                                                                          | It would be hard work for our community. I would help with simple deeds that need to be done and other extra things that make people joyful and happy.<br>Michael Coleman<br>Squantum School |
| More kindness that everyone deserves. Not everyone gets that kindness but they do give it.<br>Verna Zheng<br>Beechwood Knoll | Food and medical care for people in need.<br>Suki Huang<br>Beechwood Knoll                                       | A gaming PC to one of my friends.<br>Felix Lu<br>Beechwood Knoll                                                                                | Someone a gift that they've been wanting.<br>Eason Zhu<br>Beechwood Knoll                                                                                                           | I would give a homeless shelter \$100,000.<br>Fransi Mile<br>Beechwood Knoll                                                                                | To give my friend a phone because he does not have one.<br>Samuel Ferreira Da Silva<br>Squantum School                                                                                       |
| A toy for my sister so she could be happy.<br>Benson Zhu<br>Beechwood Knoll                                                  | A house to a homeless family so they won't need to worry about sleeping outside.<br>Stacy Lin<br>Beechwood Knoll | All the love I can give to my mom because she works really hard for our family.<br>Sunny Song<br>Beechwood Knoll                                | I would give a car to my brother so he can drive to school.<br>Camila Li Chen<br>Beechwood Knoll                                                                                    | I would give toys for kids that have families that can't afford to buy presents.<br>Molly Campbell<br>Beechwood Knoll                                       | Kindness because I think there is not enough kindness in the world.<br>Owen Fitzpatrick<br>Squantum School                                                                                   |
| The people in need of                                                                                                        |                                                                                                                  | Lots of plants to my mom                                                                                                                        | I would give my mom a chance to go to college for another 4 years so she can be a doctor.<br>Avalyn McKenzie<br>Beechwood Knoll                                                     | I would give my sister a car because she just got her driver's license last summer.<br>Penny Thang<br>Beechwood Knoll                                       | To give my sister Grace anything she wants because she is the best sister and helps me when I need it.<br>Gloria Hottelman<br>Squantum School                                                |
|                                                                                                                              |                                                                                                                  |                                                                                                                                                 | I would give a Barbie doll to my little sister.<br>Derek Lin<br>Beechwood Knoll                                                                                                     | I would give a friend a phone because it is convenient, fun and important.<br>Jinyao Xu<br>Beechwood Knoll                                                  | To give my friend Ellody a new phone because hers is broken.<br>Isabelle Johnson<br>Squantum School                                                                                          |
|                                                                                                                              |                                                                                                                  |                                                                                                                                                 | I would give a coupon for my treat of any meal.<br>Evan Law<br>Beechwood Knoll                                                                                                      | I would give my family 10 trillion dollars.<br>Evelyn Chen<br>Beechwood Knoll                                                                               | To get my friend Samuel a VR.<br>Roland Joseph<br>Squantum School                                                                                                                            |
|                                                                                                                              |                                                                                                                  |                                                                                                                                                 | I would give a toy to a child.<br>Annie Zhuang<br>Beechwood Knoll                                                                                                                   | I would give homes and food for the homeless.<br>Caleb Guimaraes<br>Beechwood Knoll                                                                         |                                                                                                                                                                                              |
|                                                                                                                              |                                                                                                                  |                                                                                                                                                 | I would give a special necklace for my mother. I would give it to her because she cares about me, loves me and buys me everything I want.<br>Jovia (Zixuan) Chen<br>Beechwood Knoll | I would give my sister an iPad.<br>Jason Zheng<br>Beechwood Knoll                                                                                           |                                                                                                                                                                                              |
|                                                                                                                              |                                                                                                                  |                                                                                                                                                 | I would give one homeless person in Massachu-                                                                                                                                       | I would give my friend flowers.<br>Tina (Zitong) Chen<br>Beechwood Knoll                                                                                    |                                                                                                                                                                                              |

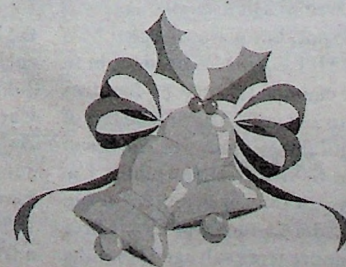
## Happy Holidays and Best Wishes for the New Year!



Norfolk County Treasurer  
Michael Bellotti and Family

## From our Family to yours!

Wishing you a joyful holiday and a very happy and healthy New Year.



Norfolk County Commissioner Joe Shea and Family

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# If I Could Give One Gift This Holiday Season



**SOUTH-WEST MIDDLE SCHOOL fifth grade students.** *Courtesy Photo*

To give Michael Coleman a baseball glove as a surprise.

Michael Liang Weng  
Squantum School

To give my friend Elena a pet kitten because she really wants it and she has fostered many kittens before.

Scarlett McCarthy  
Squantum School

To give my mom a book because she loves to read.

Grant Mello  
Squantum School

To make sure everyone has great fortune and good days.

Eugene Pan  
Squantum School

A Lambo for my friend Aaron because that is his dream car.

Tiernan Pearson  
Squantum School

To give my friend Angelina Bartkiewicz a Squishamellow named Angie because she really wants that specific one.

Ellareen Pittman  
Squantum School

To give extra love to my family and friends. I would like to give them that because I can never replace them in my life and they are always there for me.

Elena Shinohara  
Squantum School

To give my family and friends joy this Christmas.

Geno Silverman  
Squantum School

A good car for my mom because hers is broken.

Aaron Wood  
Squantum School

I would give everybody in my family perfect eyesight. I would do this because not wearing glasses is more comfy to me and my family.

Ryan Zhao  
Squantum School

Give my mom anew car

Gabby R.  
South-West Middle School

I would give my cousin fidgets because they love fidgets.

Daphne L.  
South-West Middle School

To give every 5th grade teacher a week off from work because they all work so hard.

Jayli Y.  
South-West Middle School

I would give my dad \$1.

Sam K.  
South-West Middle School

A car to my friend so they can get around easier.

Charlie W.  
South-West Middle School

Giving my mom a chocolate bread because I love her so much.

Konnor H.  
South-West Middle School

I would retire Ms. DeVoe.

Brayton B.  
South-West Middle School

If I could give one gift

I would give Anna a robux card because she deserves it for being a good friend.

Hailyn T.  
South-West Middle School

A very pretty sage green friendship bracelet.

Sadie J.  
South-West Middle School

I would give my sister a new toy because she really want one this season.

Anna N.  
South-West Middle School

Giving charity my old clothes.

Idhika  
South-West Middle School

\$100 to Sophia because she is an amazing friend and she deserves it.

Iva A.  
South-West Middle School

I would donate 100 dollars to people in need so they can celebrate the winter holidays.

Ethan G.  
South-West Middle School

I would give Brayton 1/2 of my bank account money.

Karim  
South-West Middle School

I would give Ebin a pack of yuhgloh cards because he is one of my best friends.

Avareigh H.  
South-West Middle School

I would give my brother Air Jordans.

Jeffrey Cooney  
South-West Middle School

A 100 dollars for my friends and family.

Emily D.  
South-West Middle School

A box of crafts for my best friend.

Abdullah S.  
South-West Middle School

I would give my mom 10,000 dollars and I would give all my best friends 200,000 robux.

Krystaliz Orozco  
Rodriguez  
South-West Middle School

I would give my cousin Legos.

Leanne  
South-West Middle School

A phone to my friend Emily so I can call her.

Kaiden  
South-West Middle School

I would give Avareigh an art kit.

Ebin M.  
South-West Middle School

To give my dad a drivers license because he has been trying so hard.

Leilani Reynolds  
South-West Middle School

A big house to my dad because he is the G.O.A.T\* (greatest of all times\*).

Mariana Ribeiro  
South-West Middle School

It would be a compass to my sister because she always wanted one.

Daksh  
South-West Middle School

I would give my dad a vacation.

Trisha T.  
South-West Middle School

I would give toys to kids that don't have any.

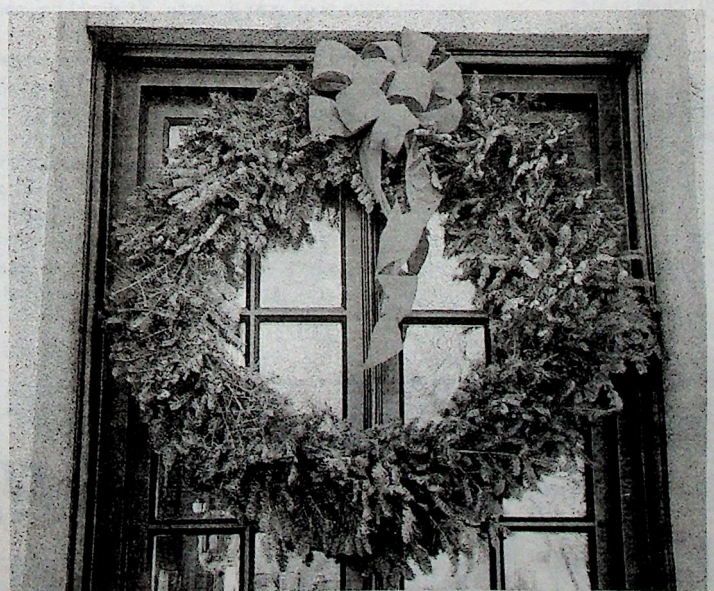
Michael Savage  
South-West Middle School

I would give Conan every permanent fruit in Blox Fruits.

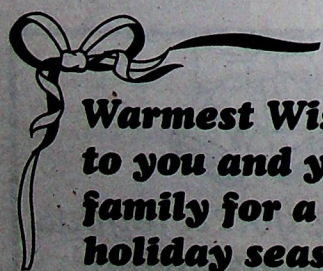
Bojken Mustafai  
South-West Middle School

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In the spirit of this  
joyous season,  
may your hearts be filled  
with peace and love...  
brotherhood and faith.



**State Rep. RON MARIANO**  
**Speaker of the House**  
**Of Representatives**



**Warmest Wishes**  
**to you and your**  
**family for a great**  
**holiday season.**

**Bruce and**  
**Maureen Ayers**  
**State Representative**





# If I Could Give One Gift This Holiday Season

- I would give Jiawen a new blanket.  
Cynthia Zhu  
South-West Middle School
- I will give the teachers I have for all the periods a gift card in an envelope.  
Vinci Zhang  
South-West Middle School
- I would work hard and listen to Mrs. Devoe so she can have a break.  
Andy V.  
South-West Middle School
- I would give Cynthia a ticket to go to the Taylor Swift concert.  
Aanya  
South-West Middle School
- If I could give one gift this holiday season it would be to my friend Arya. I would give her a new sketch book.  
Karmen  
South-West Middle School
- I would give Jia Wen a eras tour tickets.  
Conan  
South-West Middle School
- I would give Conan Hot Cheetos pants!!  
Jiawen  
South-West Middle School
- If I could give one gift this holiday season it would be Ms. DeVoe because she is the best teacher and she teaches us many things to learn.  
Angela Huang  
South-West Middle School
- If i could give one gift to someone I would give one of my friends a necklace.  
Diana  
South-West Middle School
- 20 dollars to Yuri.  
Henry  
South-West Middle School
- Giving my mom a trip to Spain.  
Francesco  
South-West Middle School
- One box of chocolates to my friends.  
Edvan  
South-West Middle School
- Milan thank you for helping me in English and in math.  
Yuri  
South-West Middle School
- A target gift card for this season because Sam always never bullies me and we are always friends.  
Nathan O.  
South-West Middle School
- Giving Ms. DeVoe the biggest attention as possible because she is the best teacher in the world.  
Ashley  
South-West Middle School
- I would give a chocolate box.  
Leo  
South-West Middle School
- I would give everyone permanent dough.  
Tim  
South-West Middle School
- Claryssa cute sanrio plush toys cute kuromi plushie smaylly cute cuddle and carevbaby doll blue eyes.  
Yuri thank you for being my friend every time.  
Milan  
South-West Middle School
- I'm gonna give Ollie tur-key card.  
Doaa  
South-West Middle School
- Chocolate to my friend.  
Giovanna C.  
South-West Middle School
- Avareigh plushies and toys and also Melanie Martinez tickets.  
Anonymous  
South-West Middle School
- If I had a wish to help someone it would be my friend Kabe. He does not have that many good poke-mon cards so I would like to give him a sword and shield pokemon box.  
Noah Andrade  
South-West Middle School
- If I had a wish, I would wish to go to Albania because it was lots of fun visiting and playing games with my relatives living over there.  
Arber Bejkaj  
South-West Middle School
- If I had one wish it would be to surprise both of my best friends. For Laila I would get her a white poodle. For Ollie I would get her a brown bunny. For Dema I would get her a black cat.  
Leandrah Depina  
South-West Middle School
- If I had a wish I would wish for an elf on the shelf because my elf on the shelf does need a friend.  
Arianna Fernandes  
South-West Middle School
- If I had one wish I would give my dad an old video game because my dad likes old video games; it would be nice.  
Thiago Henrique Ferreira Deamorim  
South-West Middle School
- If I had one wish I would give a million dollars to everybody in the world.  
Kaleb Green  
South-West Middle School
- If I could give a gift to someone it would be Timmy because he really wants a Meta Quest 2 and he's my good friend.  
Icaro Hermes Lagares  
South-West Middle School
- If I had one wish I would wish for me and my family to have more than one wish even the other people will not in my family to have more than one wish.  
Nick Laing  
South-West Middle School
- If had one wish for the holidays I would give my mom Kristin Lomanno a month off of work.  
Dominic Lomanno  
South-West Middle School
- If I could give a gift to my friend Maria I would give her a \$100 dollar shein gift card because she likes going on that website also because she is such a good friend she deserves that \$100 gift card.  
Hailey Tan  
South-West Middle School
- If I could give one gift to my friend Zoe from North Carolina I would give her a surprise trip to going back to North Carolina. I would go back to North Carolina because I miss her and she misses me so it would be a great surprise.  
Sofia Perez Rodriguez  
South-West Middle School
- If I could give a gift to my brother Andres I would give him a brother and sister day. I would give him that because he is such a great brother and we could even play Cookie run Kingdom and play whatever he want because he deserves it.  
Sofia Perez Rodriguez  
South-West Middle School
- If I could give one gift this holiday season I would give a pet puppy to my friend Sofia.  
Adrian Pereira Santos  
South-West Middle School
- If i could give one gift this holiday season I would give my sister a \$200 dollar gift card and a Brasil jersey.  
Maria Eduarda Pereira Braga Dos Santos  
South-West Middle School
- If I had one wish, I would give it to my best friend that I have known for 6 years.  
Miguel Lima Da Silva  
South-West Middle School
- If I could give one gift this holiday season, I would give my cousin, Jason, photo cards because he keeps talking about them! I would also give him photo cards because he deserves it.  
Miguel Lima Da Silva  
South-West Middle School
- If I had one wish to give my friend something it would be a good PC.  
Caden Truong  
South-West Middle School
- Eu desejo ser rica e toda minha familia vem para cá.  
I want to be rich and my whole family comes here.  
Livia Gabrielly Alves Mozer  
South-West Middle School
- If I had one wish I would give my mom a day of from work for Christmas and Thanksgiving.  
Sariah Bond  
South-West Middle School
- If I could give my friend Bella something I would give her a dog.  
Julia Caetano Martins  
South-West Middle School
- If I had one wish it would be helping my mom with Zoey because when my sister wakes up in the middle of the night she will not go back to sleep for a while.  
Zane Coke  
South-West Middle School
- I would give my friend Gabby a SZA album because me and her love SZA. She has wanted something with SZA on it so bad so if I was to see a SZA album or anything SZA I would get it for her because she is my best friend and we have been friends for a very long time.  
Ayvah Dale  
South-West Middle School
- I wish to give my mom and dad a new car because they would like to get a new one but cars are really expensive.  
Addie Denton  
South-West Middle School
- If I could give a gift, it would be to Martin. He really wants a Nintendo switch lite.  
Issac Dolan  
South-West Middle School
- If I have one wish I will give a tech deck track for Diogo.  
Miguel Lima Da Silva  
South-West Middle School
- If I had a wish I would give my parents a trip where they can go.  
Mary Lopez Lopez  
South-West Middle School
- Eu desejo ter dinheiro e um cachorro golden retriever. I wish I had money and a golden retriever dog.  
Isabella Luz Da Silveira  
South-West Middle School
- If I could give one thing to my best friend it would be a phone because he only has an iPad. I want to give him a phone so we can talk.  
Aydin McPartlin  
South-West Middle School
- I wish that Addie and Olivia would get plane tickets for South Korea because they really want them to see Taylor Swift.  
Trinity Melo  
South-West Middle School
- I would give Anthony Zhong my best friend a 151 etb because he is chill 99.99999.999% of the time and he is a good friend.  
Kendrick Nguyen-Tran  
South-West Middle School
- If I had one wish I would give my eras tour tickets if she performs in South Korea and get one extra one for my best friend Addie because we all love Taylor Swift and we really want to go to Korea 7-11.  
Olivia Peck  
South-West Middle School
- It would be helping my dad with work since he works hard and is very tired everyday on his work days. Because of this I never get to play soccer with him and I need to practice so that's why I want to help him with work.  
Ryan Pelegrini  
South-West Middle School
- assagem para os meus avós vim para cá, pq eu estou com sdd deles.  
I would give a ticket to my grandparents if I came here, because I have their sdd.  
Maria Eduarda Pereira Braga Dos Santos  
South-West Middle School

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**Merry Christmas**  
and  
**Happy New Year**

**Bill O'Donnell**  
Norfolk County  
Register of Deeds

**HAPPY  
HOLIDAYS**

**State Senator John Keenan  
and Family**



**Wishing you a joyous  
Holiday Season!**

**TACKEY CHAN**  
State Representative



# If I Could Give One Gift This Holiday Season

If I have a wish I wish my mom have everything in the world.

Diogo Ribeiro Alves  
South-West Middle School

If I could give anyone anything it would be to Isacc and I would give him a Nintendo switch, because he has been waiting for a Nintendo switch.

Martin Thomas  
South-West Middle School

If I had one wish I would give a PS5 to Nick because he has been my friend for two years. We can play fortnite together and play Spider-Man, too.

Kelson Tran  
South-West Middle School

I would like to give a 151 Ultra premium collection scarlet and violet box to my friend Kendrick T. He is my best friend and he is very nice and is chill 99.98% of the time.

Anthony Zhong  
South-West Middle School

It would be the gift of happiness. I would give happiness because happiness is better than almost anything in the world.

Ronan Alexis  
Merrymount School

I wish I could give my mom, dad and my brother a gift. I want to give my mom, dad, and brother a billion houses.

Arvin Chen  
Merrymount School

I would give my sister a ferret because she has been wanting one and she has had a lot of school work and I want to give her something nice.

Emmy Dennehy  
Merrymount School

It would be for my mom to spend another Christmas with us, because I really miss her.

Gio Elia  
Merrymount School

It would be the gift of kindness because I want to share that with everyone!

Ibrahim Muhammad  
Merrymount School

It would be a hug to someone who is upset or hurt because sometimes all you need is a hug.

Melissa Lavey  
Merrymount School

It would be to get my parents a new couch. They have talked about wanting one, and have done so much for me.

Declan Goonan  
Merrymount School

It would be a gift to my

mom because she works hard everyday and I think she would appreciate it a lot.

Caleb Luong  
Merrymount School

It would be the gift of happiness to my mom. She works super hard and looks after everyone in my family.

Ridhunesh Manimekalai  
Vjayamuthan  
Merrymount School

It would be to buy my mom a house. She works really hard and gives me everything I could ask for.

Sebastien Merzier  
Merrymount School

I would get my mom a house in Florida because she has wanted one and it would be her dream. I chose her because she is so caring and helps around the house with the help of my dad.

Grace Martorano  
Merrymount School

It would be to give my mom something she really wants, like a pet sloth because she loves sloths and she always helps me.

Chloe Nguyen  
Merrymount School

It would be for my mom and I'd get her a white Jeep. She helps a lot in and outside the house and has been wanting that car for a long time.

Stella Nguyen  
Merrymount School

It would be vacation tickets for my grandparents because they still work so hard at such an old age.

Gabe Nijadlik  
Merrymount School

I would like to give gifts to my family because I love them.

Rania Oubtrou  
Merrymount School

It would be for my mom and dad. I would give them a trip of their choice so they can get out of the house and have fun together.

Camden Hyman  
Merrymount School



MERRYMOUNT SCHOOL fifth grade students. Courtesy Photo

I would give my grandparents a house because they live in an apartment, and they never stop working hard outside in the rainy, cold, or sunny conditions.

Isabelle Zhu  
Merrymount School

I would give a gift to my two dogs Annie and Amos because I love them and they deserve more toys that aren't just balls.

Cole Eastwick  
Merrymount School

I would give my dad his dream car because he would probably never get the chance to get it again.

Paxton Chen  
Merrymount School

It would be a gift to my dad and mom, a fishing rod and some money. I would do this because they gave me many things so it feels right to give something back to them.

Elizabeth Bill  
Merrymount School

I would give my mom and dad a nice house because they gave me lots of things and helped me so I want to give it back.

Youssif Pani  
Merrymount School

I would give my parents a beach house because I know they love the beach and they have been the best parents to me.

Isla Glynn Burke  
Merrymount School

I'd give toys to kids in need because my parents told me to give to those in

need.

Kellan Healy  
Merrymount School

It would be to give my teachers a trip to wherever they want, because of all their hard work teaching me and my classmates.

Myla Bennet  
Merrymount School

It would be to give my mom and my dad a vacation trip. I would give them that gift because they mean the world to me and they give me everything I need.

Matthew Chamberlain  
Merrymount School

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## Merry Christmas & Happy Holidays from City Council President And Councilor-at-Large Noel DiBona & Family



Noel, Niamh, Tyler, Aidan & Nora

*Merry  
Christmas*  
from  
**AGNITTI  
INSURANCE**



# If I Could Give One Gift This Holiday Season

It will be a house or mansion or dream house for my mom and me in Quincy because I want to live in a nice safe place with my mom and family.

Adriel Diaz Saldana  
Merrymount School

It would be a fast car for my dad because he gave me everything good I ever wanted and I want to do the same for him.

Breno Dos Santos  
Merrymount School

It would be to give my puppy, Thelma Lou a new rubber ball. I would like to give her a new one because she lost her old one and it was her favorite toy.

Maggie Bethka  
Merrymount School

It would be to give people who have less fortune lives homes and toys for Christmas. I would give them that gift because I feel like they deserve a better life and warm home.

Penelope Boyd  
Merrymount School

It would be to give my parents a surprise gift to go to the Lumineers concert. They love surprises and have done a lot for me.

Teddy Bryan  
Merrymount School

If I could give one gift this holiday season it would be to get my mom a new car because ours keeps breaking.

Ferris Coady  
Merrymount School

I would probably give money to kids in need, in places where war is happening. I think it's terrible especially for kids at a young age to experience it and if they had money they could live a little bit better.

Victoria Niejadlik  
Merrymount School

I would like to give my mom a new purse. She's been really wanting one and she always takes care of me.

Jayden Anektanasap  
Merrymount School

I would like to give 10,000 robux to my friends because they are always nice and kind to me.

AnQing Gao  
Merrymount School

It would be to give my family a wonderful Christmas because they give me respect and love in the family.

Roisin Lynn  
Merrymount School

I would give food to people in need of food so people can eat. I'd give food because people are dying because they have no money and they can't buy anything.

Sanderson Rigia  
Merrymount School

I would give my family all the time because they're always so busy and never have time so I would give them that missing time.

Anya Tittel  
Merrymount School

I would give money to charity. Because kids need food and water and a Merry Christmas.

Odhran Waldron  
Merrymount School

I would give my sister Tess an iPad. Mostly because me and my other sister have iPads and she does not have one yet.

Mila Sturtevant  
Merrymount School

I would give my babysitter a year off from school and the army because she works so hard in the army with drills and has a lot going on in school.

Davis Cheney  
Merrymount School

I want to help my mom and dad. I want my mom to stop working so much and be able to relax at home with a nice vacation.

Kiyane Brown  
Merrymount School

I would give my parents a higher pay of work because my parents provide

me with everything I need.

Jonathan Chen  
Merrymount School

I would give custom action figures to people to unlock memories, because I collect action figures.

James Connolly  
Merrymount School

It would be four plane tickets to Washington for Christmas. Because it is too expensive and I would want my family to go.

Phuong-Anh Dang  
Merrymount School

It would be to give my little cousin, Izzy, a lifetime supply of Harry Potter things because she loves Harry Potter and I love her a lot.

Quinn Brophy  
Merrymount School

I would give clothes and shoes to kids who can't afford it because "sharing is caring."

Ethereal Malavia  
Merrymount School

It would be for my dad. He works SO HARD to provide me and my family with the things we need. I would give anything to spend time with him.

Dakota Jacobs  
Merrymount School

It would be to give all my teachers vacations. They work so hard and they teach thousands of people and they teach me everything I need to know.

Abby Kenney  
Merrymount School

It would be to my brother Wes. I would get him a Nintendo switch. I would give him that because he always asks to play video games with me so we could play video games together.

Sean Kirby  
Merrymount School

I want to give my twin sister Melissa some makeup. She enjoys going to makeup classes to learn how to do cool makeup looks and

she also likes doing looks at home to practice.

Erin Lavey  
Merrymount School

It would be to give my dad a washing machine and dryer. I would give him that gift so that he does not have to go to the laundromat a lot to wash his clothes.

Dylan Skolink  
Merrymount School

If I could give one gift this holiday season it would be a brand new Suburban to my parents because they have worked so hard for me and my siblings.

Patrick Walker  
Merrymount School

It would be to give my parents a day off because of all of the work that they do for me and my sister.

Alex McNamara  
Merrymount School

It would be to my mom who works a lot, I would give her a holiday. She would be able to relax for sometime.

Hazel McRoberts  
Merrymount School

It would be to give my sister Dolores enough money to get all of her albums from her K-pop group. I would give them that gift because my sister has always been there for me.

Gianna Quintos  
Merrymount School

If I could give one gift this holiday season it would be to give my dad (Deepak) a new camera. I would give him that because he loves electronics and he always wanted to be a photographer.

Swara Sharma  
Merrymount School

I would give my Dad and my Mom whatever they wanted. They do everything for me and I would want to return the favor.

Hunter Shellock  
Merrymount School

If I could give one gift

this holiday season it would be to give my Grandpa money because he works really hard and buys me and my brother a lot of stuff, so I would like to give him some money.

Jenny Xu  
Merrymount School

It would be to give my grandma and my grandpa money to go on a vacation together. They only have limited time to take a break and whenever they have time they try to spend it with my family.

Addison Yi  
Merrymount School

It would be to spend extra time with my family and get to see all of them.

Clara Blaikie  
Merrymount School

It would be to get my mom and dad whatever they wanted because I want to be selfless this holiday season.

Jackson Halpin  
Merrymount School

It would be to give my mom enough money to start off her new business because I want to be able to help her with her dream!

Santiago Ramirez Norris  
Merrymount School

It would be to give my brother Eddie a scholarship to his dream college because he really wants to go to college and talks about it a lot.

Zoe Giza  
Merrymount School

I would give my cousin Lea a very expensive dress. I would do this because Lea loves dresses and is very fashionable, and she has been wanting a dress for very long.

Siya Tandon  
Merrymount School

I would give my mom a trip to Italy. She has been working really hard teaching at her school, and Italy is one of the places she would love to visit.

Katherine Bethka  
Merrymount School

To give food to the Palestinians in Gaza because they are very much in need and they don't even have houses.

Rayan Benchama  
Wollaston School

It would be to feed the homeless who don't have money because they are hungry and need food.

Mandy Chen  
Wollaston School

I would give food to the shelters because I have known people who are not very fortunate and would have to get things from the shelter. So that's why I would like to give to the shelter.

Lana Couture  
Wollaston School

It would be to give food to any people who are in a war and anybody who needs food or is homeless. I want to do this because Palestinians and Ukrainians are in a war and they don't have much food. And people who are homeless are very hungry and need food.

Aine Flynn  
Wollaston School

If I could give one gift to anyone it would be a farm or any other company that helps or supports animals. The gift I would give them is food or supplies to help them support the animals. Thank you for listening and cooperating.

Lorena Gonzalez  
Morales Guadalupe  
Wollaston School

If I could give a gift to someone it would be my friend and I will give my bff a bracelet because she is going to a different middle school.

Chloe Lin  
Wollaston School

I would give the gift to doctors. Doctors help us every time we have problems. We should appreciate their help by giving them at least a gift.

Mavis Liu  
Wollaston School

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## Happy Holidays!



**William Harris**  
Ward 6 Councillor

Wishing you and  
your family  
Peace, Love and Health  
during the  
Holiday Season and  
throughout the New Year.

School Committeeman  
**PAUL BREGOLI**

## Happy Holidays!



**Ward 3 Councillor**  
**Ian Cain**



# If I Could Give One Gift This Holiday Season

If I could give one gift to someone it would be for people who are less fortunate and my mom. For my mom, I would give her a Mother's Day card. For the less fortunate people I would give them food and more other necessary things for life. The reason why I would give these to them is because I want them to feel important.

Anthony Lu  
Wollaston School

It will be for all teachers because they work hard everyday so they could be retiring for their own hard work.

Jenna Xu  
Wollaston School

It would be to give food to someone that needs it most.

John Lyons  
Wollaston School

It would be to feed everyone of those unfortunate people that are stuck in Gaza and give them shelter because they are stuck in a terrible situation.

Daniel O'Donovan  
Wollaston School

If I could give one gift to anyone I would give food and shelter to all the poor people in Africa because it can help and benefit the population.

Jayden Situ  
Wollaston School

If I could give one gift it would be toys for the poor children in other countries. The poor children in these countries need something to entertain them.

Bentley Tan  
Wollaston School

If I could give a gift this holiday season it would be to give my best friend a white Golden Retriever because she has been wanting one for a long time.

Crystal Weng  
Wollaston School

I want to give jackets to people who can't afford clothes. It's getting colder and people need to stay warm. Maybe I can give out blankets too for the same reason.

Marcus Xu  
Wollaston School

If I could give one gift this holiday season it would be to give food and water to people living in places near wars because they might not be able to get fresh water and food.

Zoe Yang  
Wollaston School

For my wish I wish for everybody who doesn't

have food, clothes, and toys to have some so they can have fun and be safe.

Brandon Yung  
Wollaston School

My wish is that everyone in a war zone stays safe this holiday season.

Preston Wu  
Wollaston School

If I could give one gift this holiday season it would be... a phone. I would give this gift to my sister because it would let us talk and play games together.

Hailey  
Point Webster

If I could give one gift this holiday season it would be perfume. I would give this gift to Mom because she is going to enjoy the smell. She will give me a hug and have a smile!

Bernardo  
Point Webster

If I could give one gift this holiday season it would be a PS5. I would give this gift to my cousin because he does not have one and we can play together!

Lucas  
Point Webster

If I could give one gift this holiday season it would be infinite happiness. I would give this gift to my mom because she is nice and a hard worker!

Aiden  
Point Webster

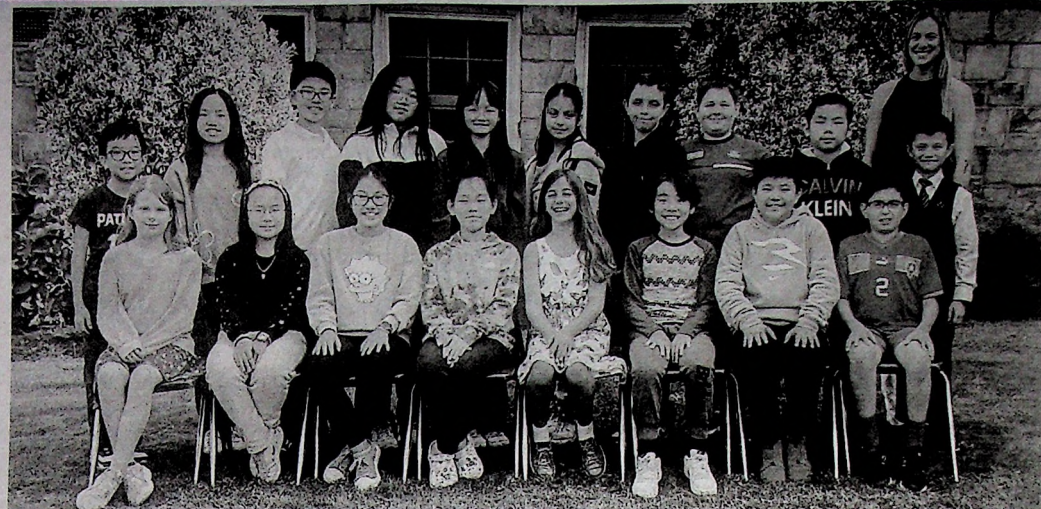
If I could give one gift this holiday season it would be a comic book. I would give this gift to Jacob because he loves comics!

Jack  
Point Webster

If I could give one gift this holiday season it would be a PS5. I would give this gift to my cousin because he loves video games. We can play them together!

Kowshik  
Point Webster

If I could give one gift this holiday season it would be a Spiderman toy. I would



WOLLASTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL fifth grade students. Courtesy Photo

give this gift to my cousin because he is a big fan of Spiderman. I would feel happy knowing that he was surprised!

Hailey  
Point Webster

If I could give one gift this holiday season it would be a PS5. I would give this gift to Jack because he is a good friend!

Jacob  
Point Webster

If I could give one gift this holiday season it would be a Starbucks coffee. I would give this gift to my teacher because she is always working hard and I know she likes it!

Victoria  
Point Webster

If I could give one gift this holiday season it would be an iPad. I would give this gift to my sister because we can play video games when we get out of school together!

Mariah  
Point Webster

Hearing aids. I would give these to someone I know that is in need.

Ryan Cao  
Montclair School

A big fluffy pillow. I would give it to Olivia Ng because she is my best friend.

Maggie Chen  
Montclair School

A horse. I would give this to my grandpa because he loves horses and I know this would make him really happy.

Vicky Chen  
Montclair School

A new kidney. I would give this to one of my family members who is in need so he doesn't have to do dialysis anymore.

Katherine Cheng  
Montclair School

A back massager. I would

give this to my dad because he is such a hard worker.

Jayden Choi  
Montclair School

A never ending Robux gift card. I would give this to my brother because he loves Robux.

Derin Ergin  
Montclair School

A hundred thousand dollars. I would give it to my mom because she works very hard to take care of us and she also works very

hard at her job.

Irene Gao  
Montclair School

A cat. I would give this to my teacher because I know how much she loves cats.

Jihao Ho  
Montclair School

A new soccer ball. I would give this to my sister because she loves to play soccer.

Conor Horrigan  
Montclair School

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## From our Family to You and Yours, Merry Christmas and Happy New Year



### The McDermott Family

Norfolk County  
Sheriff

Patrick McDermott  
Attorney  
Tracy Wilson  
Alana and Adam



Wishing You  
a  
Happy  
Holiday Season  
and a  
Joyous New Year

**DOUG GUTRO**  
School Committeeman



# If I Could Give One Gift This Holiday Season

A foot massager. I would give this to my mom because she works so hard and deserves it.

Amelia Irwin  
Montclair School

To donate money to those in need.

Evelyn Jiang  
Montclair School

Roblux. I would give this to my neighbor so that we can play.

Owen Liu  
Montclair School

A day of relaxation. I would give this to my Dad because he works all day and he never has time for anything.

Calvin Mei  
Montclair School

I would give my brother new toys as a gift because my brother loves toys and holidays so I could give new toys so he could have fun.

Adhit Menon  
Montclair School

To give charity all around the world. I would give this to anyone in need.

Abbey Mui  
Montclair School

A bunny. I would give it to my friend Tina because she loves bunnies.

Olivia Ng  
Montclair School

A painting. I would give this to my mom because she loves art.

Shivam Patel  
Montclair School

A cat. I would give this to my best friend because I know she would really love it.

Wendy Ruan  
Montclair School

An iPad. I would give this to my meme/grandmother because she deserves it.

Sadie Walsh  
Montclair School

A trillion dollars. I would give this much money to Mrs. Devane because she's

a good teacher and a hard working teacher everyday.

Ethan Wong  
Montclair School

Rolls of thick yarn for blankets and a fitting crochet hook. I would give it to my cousin, Jasmine because she loves to crochet.

Winnie Zheng  
Montclair School

Plane tickets. I would give it to my cousins so that they can come to America for the first time and hang out with me.

Alexa Amatya  
Montclair School

Slime. I would give this to my friend because I know it would make her happy.

Cecilia An  
Montclair School

A bunch of tickets to Saudi Arabia. I would give it to my family so we can see the holy city of Islam.

Adam Belbaraka  
Montclair School

A German Shepherd. I will give it to my good friend Anni because she is getting a dog next year and two is better than one.

Duncan Chan  
Montclair School

A Pug or French Bulldog to my family because I like dogs.

Lucas Chan  
Montclair School

A Nintendo switch for my cousin. I would give that to her because we can both play games together from across the world.

Erlisa Ferhati  
Montclair School

A mini fridge. I would give this to my friend Emily because I know she would really love one.

Remy Houlihan  
Montclair School

A Lego toy. I would give this to Alvin because he's my best friend.

Vincent (Yipeng) Huang  
Montclair School

Slime and a doll for my cousins and auntie. I would give this to them because I love them.

Angie Joseph  
Montclair School

Lego set city 60368. I would give this to Vincent because he is one of my best friends.

Alvin Lai  
Montclair School

A new back. I would give this to a family member who struggles walking so that they wouldn't be in any pain.

Julianna Lanzilli  
Montclair School

Slime. I would give this to my friend Vincy because she loves slime.

Anna Li  
Montclair School

A gift card to Nordstroms. I would give this to her so she could buy whatever she wanted for herself.

Jason Li  
Montclair School

A puppy. I would give it to my friend Joel because he really wants a dog and he says he feels responsible enough to raise, train, and take care of a dog.

Ethan Luo  
Montclair School

A Lamborghini. I would give this to my mom because she cares for me a lot.

Grady Ruan  
Montclair School

An iPhone. I would give this to Anna because she is my best friend.

Ally Stockdale  
Montclair School

Meals to the homeless. I would give this to any person or family that is homeless to help them.

Ivan Tan  
Montclair School

Happiness. I would give this to my mom because she works so much to help me and my twin.

Anni Wang  
Montclair School

A new car. I would give this to my dad because he works so hard and deserves it.

Nicole Wu  
Montclair School

A stuffed animal. I would give this to my little sister because I love her.

Yin You  
Montclair School

Slime. I would give it to my cousins. They seem to really like Play-Dough and clay, some they could enjoy slime.

Vivi Zhu  
Montclair School

One day you could make one wish of anything. I would give it to one of my parents because they know what's best for me and the whole family.

Connor Adie  
Montclair School

My brother a robux gift card. I would give this to him because he loves to play.

Deven Barbosa  
Montclair School

Happiness. I would give this to everyone to help out the people that feel sad and alone.

Kelvin Chen  
Montclair School

A box full of mooncakes. I would give this to my grandma because she always takes care of me, wakes me up, picks me up at school sometimes even if she has to walk, and cooks for me.

Linsey Chen  
Montclair School

To cure all sickness for everyone in the world. I would give this to everyone in the world so no one has to be sad in this world.

Andrew Cole  
Montclair School

A stuffed animal. I would give the stuffed animal to my best friend Anna because we always be friends together, play together, and

talk to each other.

Jessie Duong  
Montclair School

A police badge. I would give this to my friend Emmy because she wants to be a police officer.

David Lee  
Montclair School

\$10 to everyone in Montclair School. I would give this to them to help them pay for whatever they need for school.

Connie Lim  
Montclair School

A stuffed animal. I would give this to my little sister because I love her.

Emily Lu  
Montclair School

A massage chair. I would give this to my mom because she works so hard and deserves to be able to relax.

Ally Nguyen  
Montclair School

A history book. I would give this to my friend Deven because he loves history and he is always talking about it.

Vu Nguyen  
Montclair School

Money to the homeless. I would give this gift because it would help the homeless get whatever they need to have a good holiday.

Sofia Pizziferri  
Montclair School

Food and shelter. I'd give this to anyone who needs it because people deserve something nice and helpful.

Braden Quon  
Montclair School

Houses, food and water. I would give this to all homeless people so they can have what they need.

Andrew Risitano  
Montclair School

Jackets. I would give these to anyone who is homeless and needs them for the winter.

Emmy Stockdale  
Montclair School

Money or a gift card. I would give the gift to my sister because my sister always gives me really cool things like a plushie or cute decorations.

Hailey Tan  
Montclair School

Food to those who need it. I would give this to anyone who needs it because no one should go hungry.

Joliel Vasquez  
Montclair School

Food. I would give this to anyone who was in need.

Anna Wang  
Montclair School

A massage chair for my mom and dad. I would give this to them because they both work so hard and deserve it.

Ashton Yu  
Montclair School

To stop war. I would give this to the world so we can all live in peace.

Kingstin Zhu  
Montclair School

Bracelets. I would give this to my mom and my sister because I love them.

Erin Zou  
Montclair School

Robux. I would give this to my friend Kevin because he is a good friend.

Adam Aitbouqdir  
Montclair School

A Playstation 5. I would give this to my cousin Qasim because I care about him.

Muhammad Amjad  
Montclair School

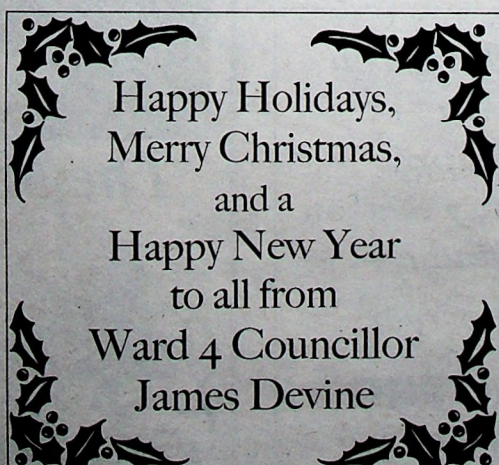
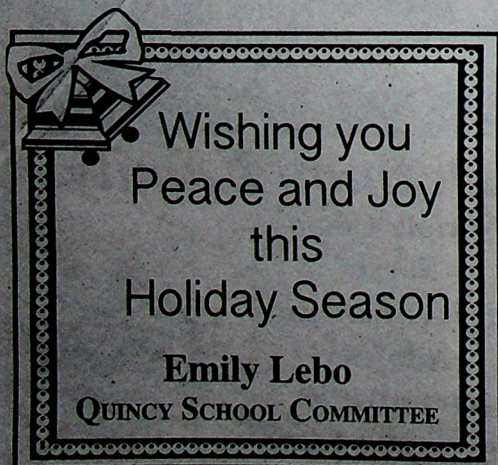
A fast turning Rubik's cube for Aaron. I would give this to him because he really loves Rubik's cubes.

Junye Chen  
Montclair School

Books. I would give books to my friend Aaron because he really loves to read.

Austin Chen  
Montclair School

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# If I Could Give One Gift This Holiday Season

A matching necklace. I would give this to my mom because she is always there for me.

Flavia Dharmo  
Montclair School

A puppy for my little sister. I would give this to her because she likes puppies a lot and she really wants one.

Katherine Fang  
Montclair School

I would give a Microsoft Xbox Series X to my friend Vincent. I would give this to him because he loves games.

Alex Guan  
Montclair School

\$25 Roblox gift card. I would give to my friend Alex because he's also my cousin.

Alex Huang  
Montclair School

An orange kitten. I would give this to my mom because when she was a kid she had a kitten and this will make her happy.

Jason Huang  
Montclair School

A fluffy puppy to my friend Emily. I would give it to Emily because she loves dogs.

Isabelle Lam  
Montclair School

A new iPhone. I would give it to my best friend Audrey because she wants a new phone and I think that she deserves a new phone.

Jasmine Lam  
Montclair School

A cat. I would give this to my brother because he's wanted a cat for a really long time.

Vinson Lei  
Montclair School

A sugar glider for my friend Isabella. I would give a sugar glider to my friend Isabella because she wants to play with it and she want-

ed a pet for a long time.

Emily Lin  
Montclair School

A nice watch. I would give this to my mom because I think she deserves it.

Matthew Liu  
Montclair School

Infinite snacks. I would give this to Jasmine because she is my best friend.

Audrey Merone  
Montclair School

It will be canned cat food for my cat. I would give this to my cat because he is my love and he really loves canned cat food.

Catlyn Tanko  
Montclair School

It would be a spa gift card for my mom. I would give it to my mom because she is a hard worker.

Megan Thong  
Montclair School

A dog. I would give this to my brother because I love him so much.

Tafari Tiekka  
Montclair School

A minecraft game. I would give this to my friend Austin because I know he would really love it.

Aaron Yip  
Montclair School

A cat. I would give this to my dad and mom because I love them.

Jivansky Vancol  
Montclair School

I would give all the dogs at the local animal shelter a home.

Devin Li  
Quincy Catholic Academy

If I could give one gift this holiday season, it would be a bumblebee stuffed animal to my sister, Sarah.

Brian O'Shea  
Quincy Catholic Academy

I would give my best friend a bucket hat that says "Reputation" because that is her favorite Taylor Swift album.

Lauren Flaherty  
Quincy Catholic Academy

If I could give one gift this holiday season, it would be matching Hello Kitty onesies to my friend.

Ngoc Lai  
Quincy Catholic Academy

It would be to give an adoption center full of kids a warm house, food, and the best Christmas they could ever have.

Arianna Duong  
Quincy Catholic Academy

I would give warm clothing to homeless people. Because there are lots of people that unfortunately are cold in the winter.

Sophia Medeiros  
Quincy Catholic Academy

I would give my best friend Owen and I a trip to Miami to see our favorite soccer player Messi play.

Colin McDougall  
Quincy Catholic Academy

If I could give one gift this holiday season to my friend I would give her a plushie of "Kuromi" from Hello Kitty.

Allison Vu  
Quincy Catholic Academy

I would bring my brother to Paris on a private plane, because he works very hard.

Jessie Wu  
Quincy Catholic Academy



QUINCY CATHOLIC ACADEMY fifth grade students. Courtesy Photo

I would give a new bed to my dog Enzo. He needs a new bed because his bed is ripped.

Anthony Sarnacchiaro  
Quincy Catholic Academy

I would give my sister, Sophia new AirPods, because she needs them for college next year.

Ava Ngo  
Quincy Catholic Academy

I would definitely give a warm blanket to people who

are experiencing homelessness so they would be warm for Christmas.

Savannah Smith  
Quincy Catholic Academy

If I could give one gift this holiday season, it would be to end littering to help keep the planet clean.

Siddharth Purohit  
Quincy Catholic Academy

It would be to give my sister tickets to go see Taylor Swift, because she is a

big fan of her.

Domenic Zamora  
Quincy Catholic Academy

I would give my best friend Siddharth and Colin tickets to meet their favorite soccer player, Messi.

Aiden Wu  
Quincy Catholic Academy

I would give my cousin a rare Pokemon card because he loves to collect the cards.

Zachary Zizzo  
Quincy Catholic Academy

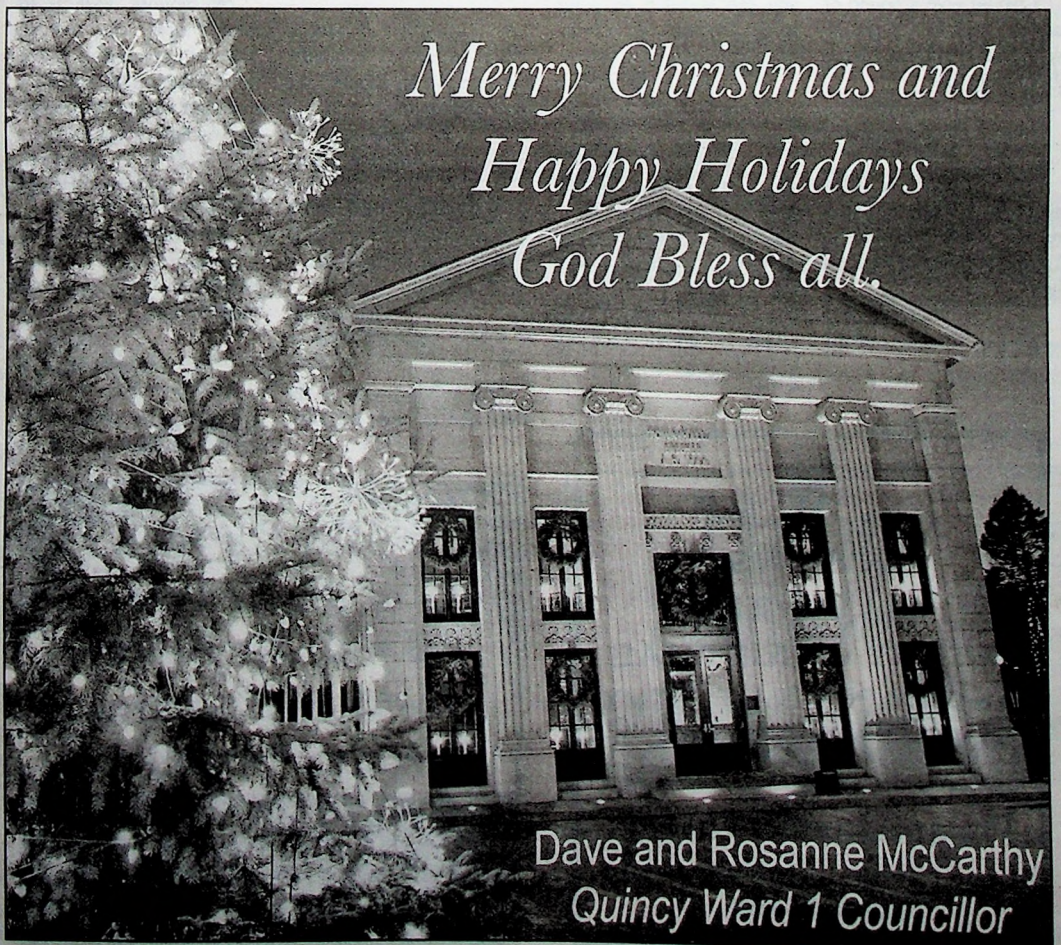
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## Christmas memories from Deanna and Karney "old" Phase II Jewelry



phaseii@comcast.net

Merry Christmas and  
Happy Holidays  
God Bless all.



Dave and Rosanne McCarthy  
Quincy Ward 1 Councillor



# If I Could Give One Gift This Holiday Season

If I could give one gift this holiday season, I would make sure all stray animals have a home for the Holiday.

Ian Zou  
Quincy Catholic Academy

It would be to give everyone a chance to see Santa.

Bonnie Chen  
Quincy Catholic Academy

If I could give one gift this holiday season, it would be a car. Then, they could drive to Disney World!

Samuel Choi  
Quincy Catholic Academy

I would give someone a gingerbread house. Everyone deserves holiday food to enjoy with someone special. A gingerbread house would be a sign of sweet joy!

Kayla Lin  
Quincy Catholic Academy

I would give everyone caring parents. I think all people should have good, supportive, and loving parents this Christmas!

Avalyn Felina  
Quincy Catholic Academy

If I could give one gift this holiday season, I would give the gift of happiness. That way, you can always have a smile on your face.

Anthony Marini  
Quincy Catholic Academy

I would give chicken nuggets to my cousin. He is my best friend.

Nathan Chan  
Quincy Catholic Academy

I would give a pound of money. This way, someone would be able to buy what they would like!

Danika Catin  
Quincy Catholic Academy

I would make a video about my best friend, Lauren. I want everyone to know how grateful I am for her.

Autumn Chan  
Quincy Catholic Academy

If I could give one gift this holiday season, it would be to give love. I would give love to my family, my friends, and children all around the world.

Kallie Chanette  
Quincy Catholic Academy

I would want to give everyone a home. This way, everyone can be inside and warm, especially around the winter holidays.

Caroline Ronan  
Quincy Catholic Academy

I would give everyone a big house! I would also give money so people can buy food and clothes!

Hanson Gao  
Quincy Catholic Academy

If I could give one gift this holiday season, I would get a joke book. This way, I can make someone crack up laughing this holiday season.

Stephen Waweru  
Quincy Catholic Academy

I would give the gift of kindness. This way, everyone can feel loved during Christmas time.

Chloe Cai  
Quincy Catholic Academy

I would give everyone a Christmas tree in their home. I love my tree when it is covered in lights and ornaments!

Alyssa Kwan  
Quincy Catholic Academy

If I could give one gift this holiday season, it would be a gift card. Then, the person can spend it on some items they want for Christmas, like a shopping spree.

Aaron Tam  
Quincy Catholic Academy

If I could give one gift this holiday season, I would give everyone a big Christmas feast. I want everyone to have a nice dinner around the holidays.

Penelope Yung  
Quincy Catholic Academy

My holiday wish is that I wish that everyone can get at least 1 thing they want for Christmas. There're some people that don't get something they want and I want them to.

Amelia G.  
Atherton Hough

My holiday wish is to take all the bad trash of the world and leave the good trash. I want this so that the animals are safe.

Travis L.  
Atherton Hough

My wish would be for my mom to have \$2 million dollars. She works hard and deserves it.

Ronan K.  
Atherton Hough

My holiday wish is everybody gets food on their table because if they don't have food they are going to starve.

Lucas G.  
Atherton Hough

My wish is for world peace because I want people to be nicer.

Andrew J.  
Atherton Hough

My holiday wish is to give people clean water to drink. I want this so no one gets sick.

Joey C.  
Atherton Hough

My holiday wish is for everyone to have a dirt bike so they can have fun.

Davyn H.  
Atherton Hough

I would give good luck to everyone in the community because not all people have good luck in life.

Sebastian B-A.  
Atherton Hough

My holiday wish is for a lime green A.T.V riding gear. I want this because it keeps me safe.

Harrison M.  
Atherton Hough

My holiday wish is for everyone to have the food

they need. I want this so they can be happy.

Tyler D.  
Atherton Hough

My holiday wish is to get boxing gloves. I want to train in boxing.

Michael P.  
Atherton Hough

My holiday wish is for people to be able to read. Reading can help people be happy.

Peyton W.  
Atherton Hough

My holiday wish is to help others because some people really need it. I would give them food.

Ryan D.  
Atherton Hough

If I could give one gift this holiday season it would be to stop world hunger. It would help a lot of people that need it.

Jack S.  
Atherton Hough

My holiday wish is that I wish that I had a record player and all the records of my favorite songs and for the prices in health foods for families to go down so everybody can get the food they need.

River T.  
Atherton Hough

My holiday wish is to have a computer at home. If I had a computer to practice my work.

Camryn H.  
Atherton Hough

My holiday wish is to give people who live in Maui free groceries and free hotel rooms. I would want to do this because they had a lot of wildfires and fires.

Alanna S.  
Atherton Hough

My holiday wish is a Lego Man Lego set. I want this because it is fun to do with my dad.

Ethan A.  
Atherton Hough

My holiday wish is for people to have access to

clean water. Having clean water can help them stay hydrated.

Julia H.  
Atherton Hough

If I could give one gift this holiday season, it would be to solve world hunger and for the world to be a happy and healthy place where people wanted to live. I chose this topic because I want to raise awareness about world hunger and unhealthy living conditions.

Mila S.  
Atherton Hough

My holiday wish is to get good grades. I want to show my mom that I am doing well at school.

Katie L.  
Atherton Hough

It would be for everyone to have good food and water because everyone needs food and water.

Vivian F.  
Atherton Hough

My holiday wish is for a Lego Man Lego set. They are fun to play with and build.

Jacob C.  
Atherton Hough

I would like to give all the people food and water, and free heating. I would give this because some people live on the streets and don't have food, heating or water.

Kevin V.  
Atherton Hough

My holiday wish is for everyone to have a perfect life. This way everyone can be happy all the time.

Kelsey B.  
Atherton Hough

If I could give one gift this holiday season, it would be to help everyone around the world have clean water. I would also help the people in need have a closer water supply. It is essential for them to have this.

Clayton C.  
Atherton Hough

My holiday wish is for

an iPhone 11. I want this because the camera quality is good.

Aine O.  
Atherton Hough

If I could give one gift this holiday season, it would be I want to give people happiness. I don't want people to be sad.

Nantenin K.  
Atherton Hough

I would give everybody a pair of warm socks. I would do this because some people don't have warm socks. It is cold during the Christmas season.

Danny T.  
Atherton Hough

If I could give one gift this holiday season, it would be that every person had at least 3 meals a day for like a week because I would like to stop world hunger.

Maggie R.  
Atherton Hough

If I could give one gift this holiday season it would be for all the animal shelters to have cat and dog food and clothing for homeless shelters. This way the animals would have food to eat.

Layla P.  
Atherton Hough

My holiday wish would be to clean all the contaminated water so that the children in Africa would have safe water to drink. It is important because if they don't they can get sick.

Matthew S.  
Atherton Hough

My holiday wish is to give money to people in need because there is a high chance they can die because they can't buy food or water.

Nicholas P.  
Atherton Hough

If I could give one gift this holiday season, it would be that every person had at least 3 meals a day for like a week because I would like to stop world hunger.

Lexi M.  
Atherton Hough

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and Mrs. Michael Morrissey  
and Family**



# If I Could Give One Gift This Holiday Season



**POINT WEBSTER MIDDLE SCHOOL fifth grade students.**  
Courtesy Photos



My holiday wish would be to give a toy to a child who doesn't have any. I would give this gift because it is sad that some children have nothing to play with.

Rafael D.  
Atherton Hough

My holiday wish is to get a dirt bike and to go sledding with my friends. Sledding is a lot of fun.

Brynn M.  
Atherton Hough

My holiday wish is to help Maui because they just had a big fire and I want to donate food and clothes to people. Many people lost things in the fire and I want to help.

Olivia B.  
Atherton Hough

My holiday wish is to get a win during my Jay's Peak tournament. I want this because I have never won 1st at a tournament.

Emmett S.  
Atherton Hough

My holiday wish is for everyone in the world to have enough food. I want to donate food to the people who are starving to help the world become a better place.

Elena N.  
Atherton Hough

My holiday wish is for everyone to have clean clothes. When you wear

clean clothes you can feel good about yourself.

Mia M.  
Atherton Hough

My holiday wish is to give other people the opportunity to learn. There are many people in the world who don't get to learn and I am thankful to have the opportunity to.

Kayla S.  
Atherton Hough

I would give Robux to my sister because she likes to play with her friends.

Jaylon D.  
Point Webster

I would give my sister a \$100 gift card to the mall.

Savannah S.  
Point Webster

I would give good health to those who are sick.

Kiley B.  
Point Webster

I would give money to poor people.

Enzo M.  
Point Webster

I would give my best friend the best year!

Alice B.  
Point Webster

I would give a homeless person a home.

Harshetha P.  
Point Webster

I would give money to people who are sick.

Stara L.  
Point Webster

I would give help to the poor and needy.

Ariam A.  
Point Webster

I would give good health to my grandma because she is sick.

Favour S.  
Point Webster

I would give everyone a dog so they aren't alone.

Chloe K.  
Point Webster

I would give help and safety to the children in Gaza.

Fatima D.  
Point Webster

I would give money to help endangered animals.

Logan P.  
Point Webster

I would give my little brother a pet cat because he really wants one.

Yumna K.  
Point Webster

I would give my mom a new iPad because hers broke, and my grandpa better health because he had a stroke and can't walk.

Camille M.  
Point Webster

I would give a car to my Dad because he wants a supercar.

Aadhil A.  
Point Webster

I would give a TV Girl poster to my sister because she would love it!

Jaleah M.  
Point Webster

I would give a cat to my friend because his got lost.

Anthony H.  
Point Webster

I would give my cousin a new kitten so her other cat won't be lonely.

Vania T.  
Point Webster

I would give my friend a dog because he ran away last year.

Liam F.  
Point Webster

I would give my best friend a PS5 because he's wanted one for a long time.

Andrew V.  
Point Webster

I would give health to my nana because she has memory loss.

Willow N.  
Point Webster

I would give food to the homeless, so they are not hungry.

Junyu X.  
Point Webster

I would give medication and health to all the ill, because everyone deserves to be both happy and healthy.

Celine A.  
Point Webster

I would give unlimited \$ to my mom so she doesn't have to worry about money problems and work less.

Skylee G.  
Point Webster

I would give health to people who are sick.

Erik Y.  
Point Webster

I would give every single homeless person a house.

Muhammad A.  
Point Webster

I would give a \$100 gift card to my sister for the mall.

Malak R.  
Point Webster

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**Happy Holidays**  
City Clerk Nicole Crispo and Family

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# If I Could Give One Gift This Holiday Season

I would give my mom \$3000 so she can buy gifts, pay the bills, rent, and lights.  
Shayle L.  
Point Webster

I would give my friend a PSS, so we could play together.  
Joshua S.  
Point Webster

I would give all the people who are poor money because they can't afford food, a house, or clothes to wear.  
Harini M.  
Point Webster

I would give my friend Robux so they could play video games.  
Jacob N.  
Point Webster

I would give 10 wishes for people on Earth to wish for things they need.  
Blessing A.  
Point Webster

I would give my parents \$100 because they work hard.  
Alex A.  
Point Webster

I would give everyone good health!  
Afan M.  
Point Webster

I would give every kid a device to play games so they don't get bored.  
Nathan R.  
Point Webster

I would give food to people who are hungry.  
Sarayu N.  
Point Webster

I would give a donation to a homeless shelter because they need to live.  
Divya Meghana D.  
Point Webster

I would end world hunger to all African people.  
Vishal V.  
Point Webster

I would give money to people to need it and my parents.  
Supreethi P.  
Point Webster

I would give my parents \$1,000 because they spend a lot of money on my siblings and me.  
Samantha W.  
Point Webster

I would give one million dollars to my dad so he can pay all the bills and we can go to Cape Verde.  
Zadie A.  
Point Webster

I would give \$10 a week to my friend, because he is my friend.  
Javian C.  
Point Webster

I would give my friend an Oculus because she really wants it and I want the best for her!  
Imani B.  
Point Webster

I would give \$500 to my friend because she is struggling with money.  
Giannys S.  
Point Webster

I would give my friend an Oculus because she deserves it.  
Charlotte O.  
Point Webster

I would give an iPad to someone in need of one.  
Elvis Xu  
Squantum School

This year I would like to give everybody a cat to love and a dog to love.  
Dennis Gray  
Squantum School

If I could give one gift, I would give a homeless person a bed to sleep in.  
Aiden Fitzpatrick  
Squantum School

If I could give any gift this holiday season, it would be a new pair of warm winter clothes for the homeless.  
John St. Martin  
Squantum School

If I could give a gift this holiday season, it would be a home for those who need one.  
Sophia Perry  
Squantum School



SQUANTUM SCHOOL fifth grade students. Courtesy Photo

If I could give one gift this holiday time, it would be to give kids toys. I would do this because they might not be get entertained during days.  
Kaeden Douglas  
Squantum School

This holiday season my wish is to give homeless people homes where they can live with their families.  
Angelina Bartkiewicz  
Squantum School

If I could give one gift, it would be to give money to schools that are in need of supplies and food.  
Ryan Chen  
Squantum School

If I could give one gift, I would give proper sports equipment. I would do this because many people are not able to feel the joy of playing the sport they like because they cannot play without a ball.  
Ciara Feeny  
Squantum School

If I could give anything to someone, I would give someone in need a house.  
Izabella Hernandez  
Squantum School

If I can give one thing, I will give my friend five dollars because it will make them feel better.  
Justin Lemay  
Squantum School

If I could give someone something, this holiday, I would give him or her an education.  
Fernando Messias  
Squantum School

If I could give one gift this holiday season, it would be money towards the homeless or homeless shelters. Everybody should be able to not worry about money for at least a day and enjoy his or her life, because it does not last forever.  
Olivia Johnson  
Squantum School

If I could give one gift this holiday, it would be to give food to the hungry.  
Jaxon McCarty  
Squantum School

For the holiday season, I wish to donate food to the food bank.  
Stephanie Chen  
Squantum School

If I could give one gift this holiday season, it would

be clothes, and toys. I would give this because some people do not have enough money for these things, so they will not be able to afford winter clothing, and will not be able to have some fun with no toys.  
Charlee Potter  
Squantum School

If I could give one gift this holiday season it would be to give the homeless food and more clothes especially in the winter.  
Ania Babo  
Bernazzani School

If I could give one gift this holiday season, I would give food to a homeless shelter because everyone should have food.  
Drin Beqaj  
Bernazzani School

If I could give one gift this holiday season, I would give my mom a puppy because our last dog died, and she really wants another one.  
Hector Camargo III  
Bernazzani School

I would give my family a video of my dog Pendilo. I would also make a picture book of him because he

passed away this year.  
Maible Cellucci  
Bernazzani School

If I could give one gift this holiday season, I would give my sister an Oculus because she was jealous when I got one and I want to make her happy.  
Logan Davis-Carney  
Bernazzani School

If I could give one gift this holiday season it would be to give happiness to people. I would do this because I want people to feel happy and loved.  
Poppy Gately  
Bernazzani School

If I could give one gift this holiday season it would be a dog to my mom because she loves dogs and has been wanting one for a while now.  
Alex Glynn  
Bernazzani School

If I could give one gift this holiday season, I would give all dogs/wolves more life because they deserve a longer lifespan.  
Stella Hickman  
Bernazzani School

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# If I Could Give One Gift This Holiday Season

If I could give one gift this holiday season it would be love and happiness to my whole family because sometimes we argue, and I want us to love everyone all the time.

Brayden Hudach  
Bernazzani School

If I could give one gift this holiday season, I would want to donate fidgets to homeless kids so they can have something to entertain them.

Andrew Linehan  
Bernazzani School

If I could give one gift this holiday season, I would give money to people in need.

Gavin Luu  
Bernazzani School

If I could give one gift this holiday season, I would give my sister an Eevee Pokémon card because her name is Evie, and she really loves Pokémon.

Jack Myers  
Bernazzani School

If I could give one gift this holiday season, I would give happiness to my mom because she is the best.

Emma Ovalle  
Bernazzani School

If I could give one gift this holiday season it would be Crocs and socks because Crocs are comfortable and so are socks.

Will Ragusa  
Bernazzani School

If I could give one gift this holiday season, I would give my grandma another life. She died in 2019, 4 years after, I still think of her. I love you Nina Rosetta, and I hope for the best.

Ellior Saraci  
Bernazzani School

If I could give one gift this holiday season it would be to make my mom a book or video of my grandparents. I want to give it to her because they both died, and she really misses them.

Julian Teixeira  
Bernazzani School

If I could give one gift this holiday season it would be to give homeless kids all the food they need to have the best holiday ever.

Liana Zajmi  
Bernazzani School

If I could give one gift this holiday season, I would give my brother a new basketball because he loves to play basketball and wants to play it at home.

Yaoyue Zheng  
Bernazzani School

I would buy my parents their dream house when I grow up or have more money.

Aron Apostol  
Wollaston School

I would give my friend Henry Zerva new shoes or a phone.

Michael Bradley  
Wollaston School

If I could give one present it would be a dog. I would give it to my friend because he has been asking for one for a few years now.

Liam Berger  
Wollaston School

If I could give one gift to someone I would give my gift to my mom. I would want to give her a necklace of any sort.

Grace Chen  
Wollaston School

I would probably give someone money or coins or something that would help. Or either care or love by giving them something they would need. Or either give them a home or clothes or something to help them stay warm. I hope they survive with the stuff I gave them. I hope they have a good time in life and live until their very best. I would donate to the poor if I had money to give them. I hope God blesses them... And I would probably give my one friend Bailey a few coins to help.

Zachary Chui  
Wollaston School



SQUANTUM SCHOOL fifth grade students. Courtesy Photo

I would give some sort of food or clothes for the homeless, or I would also want to give people who might not be able to get presents this year, a gift that they might want. I also would like to give a hospital some money to maybe pay for someone's hospital bills so that they can get surgery.

Nicola Flynn  
Wollaston School

I would give a homeless person food and a warm jacket for the cold holiday season.

Jacob Lam  
Wollaston School

If I could give one gift this holiday it would be to give some money, and food to the homeless as a gift to someone.

Brady Li  
Wollaston School

I would give some money, and food to the homeless as a gift to someone.

Selina Li  
Wollaston School

I would give food to the people in need and something warm to wear for the cold winters.

Queenie Li  
Wollaston School

I would give food, water,

and money to the homeless and shelters

Shauna Lin  
Wollaston School

I would give away money, clothes, and food to those in need.

Ryan N. Mooney  
Wollaston School

This holiday season I would give every homeless person food, water, clothes, and a home.

Giovanni Di Ruggieri-Lam  
Wollaston School

If I could give someone it would be a pet, it would be to get that person through something traumatic, the pet would help them get through that time. And I hope it helps because I know what it feels like to have that traumatic experience. But I was lucky enough to have something that would help me.

Maya Witsil  
Wollaston School

I would give food to the people in need.

Jessie Xu  
Wollaston School

If I could give something to someone I would give something to my friend Michael Bradley and that thing would be new shoes.

Henry Zerva  
Wollaston School

I would like to give the homeless a place to eat and sleep because they need something like that to survive.

Bailey Zheng  
Wollaston School

It would be to get my sister a dog. She is the best sister ever.

Haddie Adams  
Squantum School

It would be a Stanley Cup for my best friend Lynden because she has wanted one for a long time.

Eden Connors  
Squantum School

I would give my dad a truck because it is his dream car.

Will Franklin  
Squantum School

I would give my brother another monitor because he wants a new gaming setup.

Andrew Glennon  
Squantum School

It would be to give the world kindness to make the world a better place.

JJ Healy  
Squantum School

I would give my brother a new keyboard because he loves computer gadgets.

Grant Hsu  
Squantum School

I will get my best friend a first class vacation to Hawaii in a five star villa. He needs a break from school.

Kobe Huang  
Squantum School

I would give Kobe an Xbox because he wants to get a gaming system all the time and he is my best friend.

Daniel Lee  
Squantum School

It would be to get my brother to play in the World Cup. My brother loves soccer and is a big fan of Cristiano Ronaldo.

Rosie Livingston  
Squantum School

I really want to give my best friend Annie some AirPods for Christmas so she can listen to her music.

Bella Lu  
Squantum School

If I could give any present I would give my dad a remote control car because he has been dreaming of getting one.

Emily McCulley  
Squantum School

It would be a gaming system for my friend Andrew because he needs an upgrade from his PC.

Brady Ngo  
Squantum School

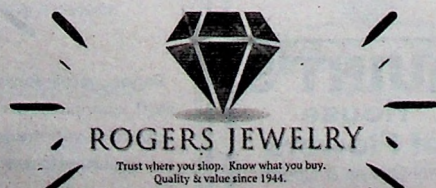
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Holidays to All**

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To All of Our Veterans**

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# If I Could Give One Gift This Holiday Season

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I would give my sister makeup because she needs new makeup. She would be very happy if I gave her some.

Jackson Nuzzo  
Squantum School

I would give my best friend Eden a golden retriever. She has wanted one for a long time.

Lynden Oberton  
Squantum School

I would give Brady a new gaming setup because he does not have a gaming setup.

Andrew Tran  
Squantum School

I would end world hunger because there are a lot of starving people in the world.

Margie Wales  
Squantum School

I would give \$100 to everyone in the world so that people could spend the money on what they need.

Jack Walsh  
Squantum School

I would give my best friend Kobe an Xbox because he has been very nice to me since I moved from India.

Ayaan Yadav  
Squantum School

I would give my family a pet dog. If we had a dog I would spend less time on the Internet and that would make my parents happy.

Savannah Zhao  
Squantum School

I would give my best friend matching lamps that are used to communicate. I would give this to her because she is my long distance best friend and I love her so much.

Souka Benchraka  
Squantum School

If I could give any gift this holiday season, it would

be 500\$ to Ms. Caldwell. I would give her this gift because she is one of the best teachers I've had.

Sophia Archambault  
Bernazzani School

If I could give any gift this holiday season, it would be an RV to my mom. I would give her this because she has wanted one for a while.

Domenic Bentzel  
Bernazzani School

If I could give any gift this holiday season, it would be a pug to my friend Sophia. I would give her this because she doesn't have a dog and that's her favorite type.

Izzie Bulens  
Bernazzani School

If I could give any gift this holiday season, it would be a new car to my dad. I would give him a new car because his car is beat up.

Lizzie Demopoulos  
Bernazzani School

If I could give any gift this holiday season, it would be a wall art picture of a dog to my dad. I would give him this because his favorite dog is a Newfoundland.

Grady Gill  
Bernazzani School

If I could give any gift this holiday season, it would be 200\$ to my friend Maggie. I would give her this because she really wants an Apple watch and she is always nice to me.

Fiona Greene  
Bernazzani School

If I could give any gift this holiday season, it would be money to the Quincy Dog Shelter so that the dogs could get better treatment and find good homes.

Ayla Griffith  
Bernazzani School

If I could give any gift this holiday season, it would

be to give my family a vacation to Ireland and Paris because my mom and dad have wanted to take me and my siblings to those places.

Nora Lavey  
Bernazzani School

If I could give any gift this holiday season, it would be a baby piglet that would stay small to my Kindergarten buddy Eunice. I would give her a piglet because it is her first year of school and I think it would make her have a happy school year.

Mina Le  
Bernazzani School

If I could give any gift this holiday season, it would be a private walking path for my mom because she likes to walk in nature.

Peter Mello  
Bernazzani School

If I could give any gift this holiday season, it would be to my cousin. I would give her a bunny because she has always wanted one as a pet.

Nghi Nguyen  
Bernazzani School

If I could give any gift this holiday season, it would be to my mom. I would give her a million dollars because she works so hard.

Juli Piercy  
Bernazzani School

If I could give any gift this holiday season, it would be snowboarding gear to my brother Matthew. I would get him that because he already bought a snowboard and I want him to be able to enjoy it.

Henry Prifti  
Bernazzani School

If I could give any gift this holiday season, it would be to my mom. I would give her 5 million dollars so that she could get whatever she wanted.

Ryan Russell  
Bernazzani School

If I could give any gift this holiday season, it would be plane tickets to Florida to my parents so that we could visit family there.

Forrest Sammons  
Bernazzani School

If I could give any gift this holiday season, it would be a vacation to Vietnam to my parents so they can visit where they're from.

Drayden Vu  
Bernazzani School

If I could give any gift this holiday season, it would be to my mom. I would give her ten thousand dollars because cares about me and I want her to use the money to care for herself.

Cola Xu  
Bernazzani School

If I could give any gift this holiday season, it would be a cat for my brother. I would give him a cat because he's been waiting for a cat for so long.

Jeric Yu  
Bernazzani School

If I could give one gift this holiday season it would be tickets to a professional soccer game to my dad because he's never been to one before and he loves soccer.

Lucia Castro  
Wollaston School

If I could give one gift this holiday season it would be a dog for my brother, Daniel because he's been wanting a pet dog since he was really little, my brother also still has his old dog plushies from when he was really young.

Kyle Chen  
Wollaston School

If I could give one gift this holiday season I would give my friend Lana a guinea pig because she loves them and really wants one.

Carolline Eldredge  
Wollaston School

If I could give one gift this holiday season it would be a puppy to my brother because he has wanted a puppy since he was little.

Yamila Felix  
Wollaston School

If I could give one gift this season it would be one of my unopened Lego sets to my sister because my sister loves Legos.

Alexander Geler  
Wollaston School

If I could give one gift this holiday season it would be a bracelet for Yamila, because she is my friend.

Salma Harir  
Wollaston School

If I could give one gift this holiday season it would be 100 pieces of My Melody stickers for Stella, my little sister. I want to give my little sister 100 pieces of My Melody stickers because when I got two sets of stickers, Stella got jealous so she really wanted another set of stickers.

Stephanie Hu  
Wollaston School

If I could give one gift this holiday season it would be a book to Yamila.

Longkai Xu  
Wollaston School

If I could give one gift this holiday season it would be a water bottle for Zekai.

Henry Chen  
Wollaston School

If I could give one gift this holiday season it would be a pet dog for my cousin, Jayna. I would get her a pet dog because she already had two dogs but she had to give them away since her parents worked so they couldn't take care of it.

Billy Nguyen  
Wollaston School

If I could give one gift this holiday season it would be new phone for his sister.

Zekai Wang  
Wollaston School

If I could give one gift this holiday season it would be a cat to my sister, because she said to me for Christmas she wants a cat.

Hao Pan  
Wollaston School

If I could give one gift this holiday season it would be a puppet to give to a friend.

Emily Pan  
Wollaston School

If I could give one gift this holiday season it would be giving some of my old dolls that are not broken to my cousin because I don't really like them any more.

Irene Wang  
Wollaston School

If I could give one gift this holiday season it would be beautiful flowers to my mom.

Owen Ma  
Wollaston School

If I could give one gift this holiday season, it would be a dog for my brother JJ. I would get this for him because ever since he was two years old, has been asking for a dog.

Mekah Whyte  
Wollaston School

If I could give one gift this holiday season it would be money for my cousin. I want to give him money because his dad died a few months ago and now his mom has to work two jobs instead of one.

Grayson Wu  
Wollaston School

If I could give one gift this holiday season it would be Robux to my brother. This is because he wants to buy a gamepass in Roblox.

Jayden Xu  
Wollaston School

If I could give one gift this holiday season it would be a doll for my friend.

Yuwen Hu  
Wollaston School

If I could give one gift this holiday season it would be a Robux gift card to Grayson, because he has been a good friend this year.

Jarek Zheng  
Wollaston School

Happy Holidays

from all of us at

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DONNA GRAY

MARIE D'OLIMPIO

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SCOTT JACKSON

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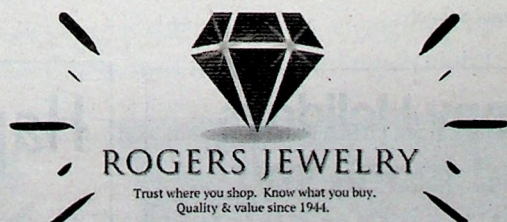
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# Angel Fund Donates \$711,000 For ALS Research

During its recent annual gala, The Angel Fund for ALS Research announced its most recent donation of \$711,000 in support of the research of Robert H. Brown Jr., DPhil, MD, the Donna M. and Robert J. Manning Chair in Neuroscience and professor of neurology at the UMass Chan Medical School.

The Angel Fund for ALS Research has provided more than \$6 million in funding to UMass Chan for ALS research and continues to support the researchers who are committed to advancing research into ALS, or amyotrophic lateral sclerosis, also known as Lou Gehrig's disease.

The Angel Fund for ALS Research has donated a total of nearly \$9 million to ALS research since its founding.

According to UMass Chan Medical School, Dr. Brown discovered the first gene associated with hereditary ALS and led the first clinical trial for ALS using gene therapy.

ALS is a progressive neurodegenerative disease that affects neurons in the brain and the spinal cord. People with ALS slowly lose the ability to initiate and control



**THE ANGEL FUND** for ALS Research Board of Directors, Advisory Board and Gala sponsors presented a donation of \$711,000, at the annual gala, in support of ALS research at UMass Chan Medical School. The Angel Fund has provided more than \$6 million in funding to UMass Chan for ALS research and continues to support the researchers who are committed to advancing research into ALS. *Courtesy Photo*

muscle movement, which often leads to total paralysis and death within two to five years of diagnosis. While 10 percent of ALS is familial in origin because of a genetic defect, the other 90 percent of ALS cases are considered sporadic, or without a family history.

"All of us on the UMass

Chan ALS research team are profoundly grateful to the Angel Fund for its generous support. Support from the Angel Fund has been enormously important in our efforts to develop innovative ALS therapies," Dr. Brown said.

The announcement was made by the organization's

president, Rich Kennedy, a Quincy native. Kennedy and his family have been impacted by ALS. His father, Chris, and brothers, Jimmy and Jake, died from the disease. In 2016, at the age of 56, Kennedy was diagnosed with ALS.

"The Angel Fund remains deeply committed to supporting Dr. Brown

and the UMass Chan ALS research team," Kennedy said on behalf of the Board of Directors and Advisory Board members, most of whom were on hand for the announcement. "The hard work undertaken by the researchers on a daily basis is making significant progress and gives us genuine hope that we're moving closer to

an effective treatment and ultimately a cure for ALS. The Angel Fund for ALS Research is proud to say that of funds expended, more than 90 percent is given to research."

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ERIN SANTACROCE with the black gum tree she planted in October, 2021 in memory of her grandmother. The tree was among 200 trees planted at Passanageset Park at Broad Meadows Marsh and Monroe Park. Courtesy Photos



ERIN SANTACROCE'S grandmother Colette Santacroce passed away from COVID in December 2020. She was 103 years old.



COLETTE SANTACROCE'S memorial tree as it appeared in February, 2023.

## Grandma's Tree

A Tree Story By Erin Santacroce,  
For The Quincy Tree Alliance

In December of 2020, I lost my grandmother to COVID. She was 103 years old. One may think her time was probably up, but this woman was still in great health, dressing to the nines, walking with a snazzy walker, texting with emojis, writing on my Facebook wall, and enjoying life to its fullest.

She was an artist, a mother of three, a college graduate at the age of 76, and had a beautifully feisty and fun presence. She was the life of the party, a storyteller, a wonderful cook, and loved her family. She was an inspiration to everyone around her.

When the opportunity came to plant a tree in her honor, it seemed like the perfect way to unite my love for nature and my love for her in one enduring tribute.

In October 2021, the 4C Tree Quincy group organized a tree planting at Passanageset Park at Broad Meadows Marsh (150 trees),

and Monroe Park (50 trees). The city of Quincy provided the trees, some tools, and some very brief "instructions" for planting: *dig hole, remove tree from pot, plant.*

On top of the sparse instructions, it felt like the selected planting locations might have been chosen in error; we had to trudge through mud and thick phragmites to get to our designated planting areas. Stakes represented the areas in which "a tree" was to be planted, but there was no direction as to which trees should be planted where. There was no soil provided for planting, nor any water (although it was already very muddy).

Undeterred, a group of about 30 of us spent back-breaking hours planting over a hundred trees, memorializing loved ones by placing painted rocks at the base of the trees, bearing a sentiment or name of a family member.

I planted a black gum tree. I was so proud of it. It stood high at the top of the hill. I imagined my family coming to see it, sitting under its shade, memorializing my grandma. I visited the site frequently, sending my family updates a few times.

But all the while, I started to notice the trees weren't doing well. I addressed this with the city and with the 4C Tree Quincy group. Despite multiple inquiries as to who was responsible for maintaining these saplings, the trees didn't get the basic maintenance needed to get through their first critical years.

On average, newly planted saplings have an 18 percent chance of dying during

the first year. They need gallons of supplemental watering per week, even in a typical year, and the summer of 2022 was one of the driest in a generation.

Now, unfortunately, about half of those trees have met their demise. Two separate inventories performed on the trees in February 2023 (one by an arborist, one by myself) found that between 48 and 51 percent of the COVID memorial trees planted at both Passanageset and Monroe Parks have died.

In June, I could barely get through the chest-high weeds to the top of the hill, where my grandmother's tree was planted. My heart broke once more. Her tree has died, along with many more that represented the lives of loved ones lost to COVID.

It didn't have to be that way — with better planning, better planting instruction, better communication, and better watering and maintenance, the outcome could have been different. Working together, I hope we can make sure this doesn't happen again.

I appreciate that the city permitted us to put trees on public property — but regret that their commitment seemed to end there. Planting trees isn't just a one-day photo op or public relations stunt. It's an infrastructure investment, one that will cool and clean our city's air, reduce storm runoff and erosion, and improve our residents' health. The city needs to do all it can to ensure its new trees live to be grand old ones — so that, like my grandma, they can inspire future generations, even at 103 years old.

Is there a special tree in Quincy that means a lot to you? Submit your 600-word Tree Story to [quincytrealiance@gmail.com](mailto:quincytrealiance@gmail.com).



PHOTO OF THE memorial tree taken in June shows the tree is dead and surrounded by tall weeds. "I appreciate that the city permitted us to put trees on public property — but regret that their commitment seemed to end there," Erin Santacroce said.

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## Caring for Plants Overwintering Indoors

By **MELINDA MYERS**

Gardeners are notorious for pushing the limits of their growing zones. Tropical plants, succulents, and other plants that are not hardy to the winter climate often end up indoors for the winter. It usually starts with one or two plants that you just can't part with or are concerned you won't be able to purchase next year. Since you are taking a couple of plants in for the winter, why not add a few more?

Now that the plants have been indoors for several weeks or months you are faced with keeping them alive and the leaf litter on the floor to a minimum. As the plants adjust and acclimate to their new environment, some leaves may have turned yellow or brown and dropped off the plant. This is due to the lower light and humidity indoors.

New leaves better adapted to the lower light indoors should begin appearing. If the plants do not appear to be acclimating to the indoors, try increasing the amount of light they receive. Move them in front of a sunnier window or under artificial lights. A combination of natural and artificial lights works well.

Select a location free of drafts of hot and cold air. Avoid placing plants above heat vents or near drafty windows and doors. Succulents prefer cool but draft-free locations over winter.

Next, help your plants deal with the dry air indoors. Group plants together for an attractive display and to increase the humidity around each plant. As one plant loses moisture from its leaves and transpires, the others benefit from this added moisture.

Reduce maintenance and increase the humidity by setting plants on a layer of gravel, marbles, or a similar material set in trays or saucers. The pebbles elevate the pots above any water that collects in the saucer, helping reduce the risk of waterlogged soil that can lead to root rot. This technique allows you to water thoroughly while eliminating the need to pour off the excess water. As the excess water evaporates, it increases the humidity around the plants.

Adjust your watering schedule to compensate for the reduced light and changes in room temperature and humidity. Check the soil moisture before watering. In general, water thoroughly when the top inch of soil is dry. For succulents, allow the top few inches of soil to dry and water just often

enough to prevent the plants from shriveling.

Most indoor plants do not need to be fertilized in winter. Only those that are actively growing will need additional nutrients. Don't be fooled by leggy growth and paler leaves on overwintering plants. Lower light is more likely the culprit than a lack of nutrients.

Regularly check the plants for insects and diseases. Examine the upper and lower leaf surfaces and along the stems. Then do a bit of research to properly identify the pest and find the best control options. If you opt to use a pesticide, read and follow all label directions for safe and effective control.

Prune as needed in spring to encourage fuller more compact growth. Begin fertilizing with a dilute solution of any flowering



A FERN set upon rocks in a tray minimizes the chance of root rot and increases humidity around the plant.

Photo courtesy of MelindaMyers.com

houseplant fertilizer as days lengthen, sunlight increases, and your plants show signs of improved growth.

As you move the plants into the garden next season, decide if it was worth the effort or better to purchase new plants. But as a gardener, you will likely repeat the process next year as it is part of the fun of gardening.

Melinda Myers has writ-

ten more than 20 gardening books and hosts The Great Courses "How to Grow Anything" instant video and DVD series and the nationally syndicated Melinda's Garden Moment TV & radio program.

Myers is a columnist and contributing editor for *Birds & Blooms* magazine.

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## Winter Tree Care Tips

As winter weather descends upon Quincy, trees face unique challenges that demand careful attention from homeowners. With frigid temperatures, potential heavy snowfall, and fluctuating conditions, winter can take a toll on trees. Brad Gould, a Massachusetts and ISA Certified Arborist with Hartney Greymont, a Davey Company, shares his tips for homeowners to maintain their trees this winter.

**1. Mulch, hydrate, and feed:** Apply a layer of mulch around the base of your trees to insulate the soil and protect the root system. A 2-4-inch layer of mulch helps retain moisture and provides a buffer against the harsh winter weather. "Although trees go dormant during winter, they still need adequate moisture to make it through the season," notes Gould. Water trees deeply before the ground freezes to ensure they enter winter well-hydrated. Adequate moisture is particularly important for evergreen trees that can lose water through their needles during the colder months. Apply a slow-release fertilizer to keep trees nourished

throughout the season.

**2. Trim, prune, and inspect:** Well-maintained and properly trimmed trees are less likely to break and cause damage during winter storms. Late fall or early winter is the best time for tree pruning in Quincy since leaves have fallen, providing a clearer view of the tree's structure. Gould instructs to "remove dead or diseased branches, but avoid heavy pruning during winter, as it may stress the tree further." If you see your tree bending or drooping after a heavy snowfall, think twice before shaking the branches. Branches coated in ice or sagging from snow are quite brittle and could snap, harming the tree. Properly pruning and maintaining your trees will lessen the risk of damage before it's too late.

**3. Inspect for pests or disease:** Take advantage of the dormant season to inspect your trees for signs of disease or pest infestation. "Look for abnormalities in bark, branches, or any signs of stress," says Gould. Early detection allows for prompt intervention come spring.

Consult an arborist to examine your trees and determine which would benefit from a dormant oil treatment.

**4. Protect:** De-icing salts commonly used on sidewalks and roads can damage trees. "Try to use alternative de-icing materials like sand or choose tree-friendly de-icers," recommends Gould. Also, avoid piling snow containing salt near the base of trees. Apply gypsum to the soil if you have trees on your property close to sidewalks, driveways, or roads and prone to salt runoff near them. Protect trees from desiccation and damage due to strong winds by wrapping trunks and using an anti-desiccant spray.

Caring for trees during Quincy's winter requires a combination of proactive measures and timely interventions. Remember that each tree is unique, and understanding its specific needs is crucial for successful winter care. Contact a certified arborist for customized recommendations for your trees. You will enjoy healthy trees in the spring by preparing your trees for winter conditions.



ANOTHER CHRISTMAS TREE - smaller but equally as colorful as the larger tree near City Hall - shines like a beacon in the interior of Hancock-Adams Common just steps from the John Hancock statue.  
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# MBTA Zoning Overlays OK'd For West, North Quincy

By SCOTT JACKSON

City councillors on Monday unanimously approved new zoning overlays for West and North Quincy that will create the capacity for nearly 14,000 new units of housing. The zoning overlays were created to comply with a state law designed to encourage the development of new multi-family housing in communities served by the MBTA.

State lawmakers in 2021 approved the new law, known as Section 3A, which the requires communities served by the MBTA, aside from Boston, to have in place zoning districts that allow for multi-family housing as-of-right. The law was approved to encourage the development of much-needed new housing throughout the region.

"On a statewide level, there's long been frustration with the fact that there is such a great demand in our region for housing, and yet a lot of communities are freezing out housing opportunities," City Solicitor James Timmins said during a Dec. 13 committee hearing on the zoning overlays.

Each of the 177 municipalities that Section 3A applies to has been assigned one of four categories based upon the level of MBTA service it receives. Home to four Red Line stations, Quincy is considered a rapid-transit community and had to be in compliance with the new law by Dec. 31 of this year or lose out on certain state funding.

The 12 rapid-transit communities – which also include Braintree and Milton – must have in place a zoning district or districts at least 50 acres in size where at least 15 units of multi-family housing could be built as-of-right per acre. The district or districts must also be within a half mile of a rapid transit station, with some leeway.

In Quincy, the new zoning districts need to provide capacity for the construction of 11,750 housing units. The figure is equal to one quarter of the 47,000 units of housing available within Quincy as of the 2020 census.

City officials in June said they planned to create the zoning overlay district in the vicinity of the Quincy Adams station in West Quincy because the area around the North Quincy station had previously been rezoned for transit-oriented devel-

opment and they wanted to keep a close eye on the redevelopment of Wollaston and Quincy Center. At the Dec. 13 hearing, Rob Stevens, the city's deputy planning director, said the current zoning in place for Quincy Center would allow for the construction of 15,000 units of housing, but development in the downtown district is not considered by-right because of the various approval processes in place.

Stevens said the decision was made to target areas of West Quincy currently zoned as Industrial A for the new zoning overlay district. The more residential sections of Centre Street, Liberty Street, Penn Street, Quincy Street, Totman Street and Brook Road were removed from the overlay district.

Because those areas were removed from the overlay, the number of units that could be built by-right dipped below the required 11,750. To make up for the difference, Stevens said the decision was made to make an overlay district in the area of the North Quincy station, including land to the west of the train tracks.

Combined, the two overlay districts have the capacity for 13,985 units – 11,417 in West Quincy and 2,568 in North Quincy.

There is a minimum lot size of 10,000 square feet for development in the new overlay districts and a minimum lot size per dwelling unit of 325 square feet; that is the same minimum lot size per dwelling unit required in the transit-oriented district already in place in North Quincy.

The overlay districts have a height limit of eight stories and minimum front, rear and side setbacks of 10 feet. The overlay zoning already in place in North Quincy and the Quincy Center zoning districts have no minimum setback requirement, Stevens said, but the Planning Department believes a 10-foot setback is appropriate in the new overlay districts because the development would be by-right.

The ordinance also sets a maximum of 1.5 parking spaces per dwelling within a half-mile of the MBTA stations and a maximum of two parking spaces per dwelling unit outside the half-mile radius within the overlay districts.

At the Dec. 13 hearing, Timmins said it was impor-

tant to note that Section 3A and the state's compliance guidelines do not require any new multi-family housing actually be built. Communities also do not have to put in place the physical infrastructure to support such developments.

"Just to be clear...we're creating an overlay district," Timmins said. "This is not a mandate to build housing. It's not a mandate to the city to develop the infrastructure to allow for housing."

Stevens noted by-right developments within the overlay districts could still be subject to site-plan review. A project undergoing site-plan review cannot be rejected outright, but reasonable conditions may be imposed.

At Monday's meeting, Ward 4 Councillor James Devine, whose district includes West Quincy, said he appreciated all the work that went into creating the new overlays.

"Everybody has been very involved in this. There are certain things we have to do, so we're doing our best to meet all the requirements," Devine said. "I hear

all my constituents. My wife and I personally went out and heard dozens and tried to help explain certain situations.

"We're working hard for all of you and I appreciate everybody's effort – all the council, all the planning, the solicitors – everybody is working diligently, so thank you very much."

Ward 6 Councillor William Harris, whose district includes North Quincy, said The Abby, the mixed-use development at the North Quincy station, has been flourishing.

"I believe we have to move forward with this," Harris said. "As far as the North Quincy project is concerned, each month I see a different thing going on, especially in the retail units. It's flourishing."

City Council President Noel DiBona said he felt like Quincy was being punished because other communities have not done their part to create new housing.

"It looks Quincy is going to be punished for the other communities that are behind in development," DiBona said. "We've been leaders

here...and we're going to be punished for these other inadequate cities and towns across the commonwealth, what they haven't been able to do."

Councillor Nina Liang asked several questions about the overlays prior to Monday's vote, including whether the council could amend them in the future. Timmins said amendments can be made but state approval would be required, unlike other zoning changes which only need local approval.

Councillor Anne Mahoney asked several questions as well, including whether new developments within the overlays could begin in 2024. Timmins said they could.

The City Council held a public hearing on the zoning overlays prior to Monday's meeting. Two residents spoke at that time.

Maria Mulligan, a Winthrop Avenue resident, said the ordinance "is short-sighted and represents a reactionary approach to future urban development" that is not appropriate in a city the size of Quincy. "That is not fair to them."

"What is needed is a smart strategy where the needs of each neighborhood is properly evaluated through a master planning effort...to determine not only the number of housing units, type, sizes, placement, but also the impacts such increased populations will have on our city services, schools, traffic, and the ability of our neighborhood to function as a thriving community," Mulligan said.

Bill Zamzow, a Washington Street resident, said it was "crazy" to include The Abby site in the North Quincy overlay, because it's already been developed in recent years, while the State Street South office complex was left out of the overlay. Zamzow also said it was unfair to exclude residential areas in West Quincy from the overlay.

"These owners will lose out on the opportunity to sell their properties at premium price because they don't have the zoning across the street may have and on top of that they're going to end up with big bricks right across the street," he said. "That is not fair to them."



NICK PRINGLE, 11, left, and his brother, Michael, 8, right, of Quincy, place a wreath on the grave of their great grandfather, Army veteran Fran Riley Jr. during the annual Wreaths Across America at Wollaston Cemetery Dec. 16. More coverage in the Jan. 4th issue of The Quincy Sun. Quincy Sun photo/Tom Gorman



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## GOOD DEEDS: Holiday Movie Quiz

By WILLIAM O'DONNELL

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It's that time of season. So, let's admit. We all love a good Christmas movie! And there are plenty of good ones.

Now I'll let you in on a little secret, some of my favorite Christmas films deal with the home and the holidays. Maybe that is because here at the Norfolk Registry of Deeds my fine staff and I are handling land record documents for the biggest asset most of us have - Our home. Or maybe it's just a coincidence!

Anyway, "Home is where the heart is." A memorable holiday movie can make you laugh and pull on your heartstrings. Here are two of my favorite classic Christmas movies. Although I must say the Christmas movie "Elf" is one of my favorite Christmas films. It is uplifting and funny.

So, pour yourself an eggnog, munch on a holiday cookie, sit by a roaring fire, and take this year's holiday movie quiz.

### It's a Wonderful Life (1946)

1. George was going to be an adventurous bachelor and travel the world, but instead, he wound up with a wonderful family and lived life in the old....

A. Bedford House B.) Granville House C.) Hatch House

2. What was the name of the fictional town in It's a Wonderful Life called?

A.) Breeding Hills B.) Seneca Falls C.) Bedford Falls

3. What's the bank's name that was a thorn in the side of the villain Potter?

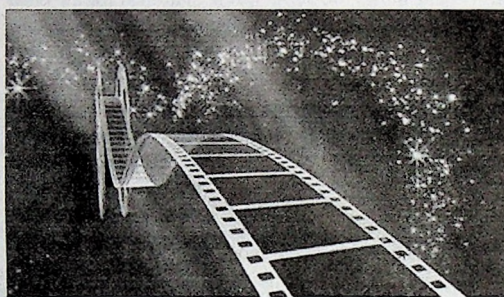
A. Bailey Bank B.) Bailey Brothers Building & Loan C.) Bank of Bedford Falls

4. What was George Bailey's wife's name?

A. Mary B.) Charlotte C.) Martha

5. What was the fixture in George Bailey's house that always came unglued?

A. A picture falling off the wall B.) A knob of a banister C.) Kitchen tile



6. What was the first name of the angel sent to help George?

A. Peter B.) Gabriel C.) Clarence

7. At the movie's end, the townspeople sing what song in George's parlor?

A. Joy to the World B.) Auld Lang Syne C.) Jingle Bells

8. For helping George through his crisis what did the angel earn?

A. Wings B.) Halo C.) His own cloud

### Miracle on 34th Street (1947)

9. What's the one present the little girl in the movie wished for that would make her believe Kris Kringle was the real Santa Claus?

A. Doll B.) Pony C.) House

10.) Who played the little girl Susan in the movie?

A.) Shirley Temple B.) Natalie Wood C.) Doris Day

11.) What was the department store's name where Kris Kringle worked?

A.) Macy's B.) Gimbel's C.) Bloomingdale's

12.) When a sad little girl sat on Kris Kringle's lap who couldn't speak English, he made her happy when he was able to converse with her. What was the language?

A.) French B.) Polish C.) Dutch

13.) When Santa (Kris) got into a confrontation with Macy's psychologist where did they send him?

A.) Bellevue Hospital B.) Jail C.) North Pole

14.) What government agency declared Kris Kringle, Santa?

A.) FBI B.) U.S. Treasury C.) Post Office

15.) When little Susie ran into a house for sale on Christmas Day believing it was her new home, what made the viewer think Santa was there?

A.) A cane left B.) A half-filled glass of milk C.) Santa's stocking

As Buddy the Elf says "The best way to spread Christmas cheer is singing loud for all to hear." From all of us here at the Norfolk Registry of Deeds a happy holiday season and a healthy new year to all.

Answers 1.) B 2.) C 3.) B 4.) A 5.) B 6.) C 7.) B 8.) A 9.) C 10.) B 11.) A 12.) C 13.) A 14.) C 15.) A

Note: if you got at least 12 correct answers you've earned your wings, 6 to 11 correct answers there's a gift under the tree for you, 3 to 5 correct answers a Christmas cookie is on your plate.

## Sixth Annual Quincy Point Tree Lighting

The Ward 2 Civic Association and Ward 2 Councillor-Elect Richard Ash hosted the annual Quincy Point Tree Lighting on Dec. 3rd.

The sixth annual event

featured sing-a-longs with Quincy-based musician Brendan Ryan, pizza generously donated by Alumni Quincy, refreshments donated by Coffee Break Café, holiday blessings by Rev. Kim Murphy from Quincy Point Congregational Church and Fr. Jason Worthley from St. Joseph's Parrish, and appearances by Santa and Mrs. Claus.

The cold rain didn't stop the group from gathering at the Fore River Rotary for this event held on the first Sunday night of every December. Councillor Elect Ash and his family recognize his late grandmother Chickie Abdallah, who petitioned for and lit the inaugural tree in 2018 with Councillor Brad Croall months before she passed away, every year at the lighting.

The event was sponsored by the City of Quincy and Ron Affsa. Merry Christmas, Quincy Point!



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# Merry Christmas And Happy Holidays: Expect Wonders, Miracles In 2024

Shalom, peace to all, especially to the benefactors of St. Yves School Haiti.

A few weeks ago I went to the Adoration of the Holy Eucharist at St. John the Baptist Church. On the way back I drove through Quincy Center. As I was approaching Hancock Street, all was dark and suddenly the entire square was filled with sparkling Christmas decorations that shone like miniature stars. It felt as a heavenly city with loud voices of people rejoicing and partying throughout the square.

This reminded me of the holiday celebrations in Port-au-Prince, the city where I grew up, even though there was a dictatorship. I told my friend Jacqueline that we must stop and pray for the Shalom of the city of Quincy. The square was packed with happy and festive people. It was the lighting of the Christmas tree.

The next day I went to Pageant Field for Santa's arrival in Quincy. Once again the field was packed with little children and parents eager to see Santa coming to Quincy. Even though it was freezing out, there was smile after smile. Finally, Santa made his splendid appearance coming in a helicopter. It was amazing! He greeted every child in the crowd with a special touch. You could see the surprise in those little zero-to-five-year-old's faces, especially those who saw Santa for the first time.

Santa asked their parents if they were naughty or nice. I felt so blessed to have a brief chat with Santa. His message to those thousands of children of Quincy, and to the entire world was simple: "Peace! Be nice to each other." Santa also thanked the Mayor of Quincy, Mayor Koch, for inviting him every year to come to Quincy.

The following day, I went to Mass at my parish, Divine Mercy (Sacred Heart). The church was full. There was plenty of free food. Later on Hancock Street was packed with thousands of happy people who came to witness the arrival of Santa in the city. The people of Quincy seemed so joyful that it felt like God's kingdom came on earth.

Yet, this Christmas and during this Holiday Season while all that rejoicing took place, many were suffering: the refugees, the sick and hospitalized, the homeless, those abandoned in nursing homes, the children separated from their families the jobless, the lonely, etc. My response to all is "Don't worry. Be hopeful! Whether you are Hindu, Baha'i, Muslim, Jewish, Christian, Buddhist, Atheist etc., get ready to receive the wonderful gift of Christmas. He can change turn all your impossibilities into possibility.

The day after the parade, I went to Stop and Shop to purchase a money order to give to the church. The amount was \$120. Soon after I received the check, I noticed that I lost it. Immediately, I returned to the store to explain what had happened. The lady in charge told me that there was nothing that could be done. Meanwhile, there was a gentleman named Nick who is one of the managers. Explaining the situation, I said, "Sir, the money was for my church! Since I just bought the money order you must have its number in your records."

Nick was very nice and said "I will do my best to help." The woman in charge said: "Don't do it! If he does it he will be fired." So I left the store and went home.

I had a 100-dollar bill on a table. I was determined to get my donation to the church that day. I went to the rectory and gave the 100-dollar bill to the secretary. The pastor of my church, Fr. Lou, was there. I told him: "Father, I wanted to give more. I lost the money order. Please pray that I get the check back. After all, it is God's money." Father laughed. As I was passing by the church I was tempted to pray that anyone who tried to cash the check that their hand would catch fire. Yet I was walking in the spirit, so I restrained from praying that way. I had an appointment in Boston, a show to prepare and a Bible study. I stopped for a short time

at the Shrine of St. Anthony. While I prayed for peace in the world, I had forgotten that St. Anthony is the patron Saint of Lost and Found. As I was leaving the shrine I remembered that I wrote my prayer in the book to find the check through his intercession.

When I came home I found that my furnace was not working. The plumber said that it would cost \$500 to fix it. I asked him to wait. The next day, I woke up at 6 a.m. and began to praise God saying the Our Father, the Hail Mary "The Lord is my shepherd I shall not want" (Psalm 23:1) and Psalm 91. As I was praising the phone rang. It kept ringing. I finally answered. Someone was calling from out of the states. He told me he had \$650 for me and to go pick it up at Western Union. I went to the plumber's office and told the story. Everyone exclaimed: "It's a miracle!" My heat was restored. Then my brother came to celebrate Thanksgiving with us that day. Even though he was bossing us around, and taking control of our home, he gave Grace L'Or \$350. Grace L'Or was happy. I told my friend Miss Christine about the situation. She answered that's what men do. The Saturday after Thanksgiving, I said enough of the turkey I am going to take \$20 from my account for Chinese food. I realized that someone deposited \$1,200 in my account. It was ten times the amount of the lost check.

I returned to the store three times. Nick was nowhere to be found. Instead I saw once a gathering of managers of the store. The woman who did not want Nick to help me was with them. I told the managers that Nick was wonderful and should be promoted. When the woman heard me she turned and went the opposite way.

Fourteen days later I returned to the store. To my surprise, Nick was nearby. He said: "I have good news for you." I thought he had the number of the check. He asked me to wait a minute. I could not believe what he held in his hands. It was the check that I lost. He found it near a pile of turkeys. No one touched it for 14 days. I hugged Nick and said thanks and blessing to God. I began to dance and sing today is my miracle day. I told Nick: "Saint Nicholas came to Stop and Shop today."

There was a powerful anointing in the air. A man named Al Reamer, who was a jobless veteran, took a picture of Nick and me holding the check. He was hired that day by Nick. So don't worry be happy! Have faith. Persevere! Do not let money control your mood. Expect your miracle.

God is rich "To the Lord belongs the earth and all that is in it." (Psalm 24). At Christmas he shares His most precious gift with all. "For God so loved the world that He gave His only Son so that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life. (John 3:16) The amount of money we give or how often we give it does not affect God. It is the cleanness of our hands, our faith, and the love that we display as we present our offering that makes our gift acceptable to Him. This is what causes Him to answer and favor us, and "to supply all our needs according to the greatness of His riches (Phil 4:19).

I returned for adoration at St. John's and had a revelation. That night I had a dream. I was taking in the spirit to the White House of the United States of America. It was revealed that President Biden must change his ways on moral issues and world affairs. Otherwise, the grace would be shifted, there would be a second Trump presidency.

This Christmas, the world is facing a spiritual warfare. If the Prince of peace came to the world today, he would be born in Bethlehem in the middle of a war zone. I have been to Israel and Gaza several times. Both Israeli Jews and Palestinian civilians told me they want peace. We need to pray the Holy Rosary for peace for those in authority so they can yield to the Holy Spirit and stop wars. Now is the time for peace between Israel and Palestine. Enough of the killing



MARIE DENISE with manager Nick Vaughan

of innocent victims. We need peace in America, in Ukraine in Haiti and throughout the world. The situation of violence in Haiti can be resolved speedily. A deployment of a few thousands strong men from the American nations can help Haitian police get rid of the bandits. Then we would see the flow of refugees cease. We Haitians want to enjoy our beautiful country and welcome tourists. In 2024, I declare and decree peace in the world, less refugees, no natural catastrophe earthquakes in the name of Jesus.

At Christmas, the word becomes flesh His name is Jesus. He comes as a light Lift your hands and cry Jesus seven times. In order to receive our miracle we must not separate the giver from the gift. Dance and expect your miracle, in your family, in your finances, for your health, in your businesses etc. The devil is a liar. He will try to attack your mind to discourage you. Sing "Gloria in Excelsis Deo."

In 2024, have dominion! Experience signs wonders and miracles. Walk in favor and in victory. Fly like an eagle as you wear your Nike Air Force 1.

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Joyeux Merry Christmas! Happy holidays! Have an excellent New Year 2024.

Shalom Peace from St. Yves School Haiti and Marie Denise.

## Quincy's Mark Bryant Wins BC High Arrupe Spelling Bee



MARK BRYANT of Quincy, a member of the Boston College High School Class of 2029, is the winner of 2023 Arrupe Spelling Bee. Arrupe recently held its first annual spelling bee. Ten students competed in the competition, spelling words at a variety of levels. After 12 rounds, Mark Bryant took the win with Darsh Manocha '29 finishing in second place. Big congratulations to all the students who participated: Peter McMahon '28; Derek Van Ly '28; Cormac Shriver '29; Govind Menon '28; Teddy Brown '29; Brendan Lutz '29; Daniel Nguyen '29 and Darren Nguyen '29. A second competition will take place against NDA in January.

Courtesy Photo

## Mite Box Thrift Shop Open Wednesday, Friday

The Mite Box Thrift Shop at St. Chrysostom's Church, Hancock and Linden Streets, Wollaston, is open Wednesday and Friday from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. All are welcome.

## North Quincy HS Digital Photography Supports Boston Children's Hospital



THE NORTH QUINCY High School Digital Photography Program under the direction of teacher Michael Hanson recently hosted a Photo Sale Fundraiser to support Boston Children's Hospital. Student artwork through the course of the year was displayed and guests were able to purchase items to support the cause. This was the 13th year of the fundraiser and this year they raised \$2,885 to be donated. Photo left: Grade 12 students Meera Watkins and Ashley Lau. Photo right: Grade 11 student Miles Hastings assists NQHS staff member Ryan Herlihy with a purchase.

Courtesy Photos

*Wishing my family & friends  
a Happy Holiday Season*

**WILLIAM LYDON**



# Holiday Recipes

## WHAT'S COOKING

with

Marie & Suzie

By MARIE D'OLIMPIO and SUZIE FALCO



### Stacey's Delicious Leftover Stuffing Recipe

Sometimes, but not often, there is leftover stuffing after a holiday meal. If you happen to have leftover stuffing after the holidays, you will love today's recipe for fritters which I got from my granddaughter, Stacey.

This recipe is different and can be made in two different ways. Stacey made her stuffing fritters from leftover stuffing using a waffle iron; however, you can also make them by hand and brown them in a skillet. Either way they are delicious!

#### Ingredients and Directions:

- 2 cups of stuffing
- ½ cup seasoned panko bread crumbs
- ¼ cup grated cheese
- 1 egg
- 2 or 3 tablespoons of olive oil

Mix all of the ingredients until well blended. If not using a waffle iron, then in a skillet, heat the oil.

Using a small ice cream scoop (or teaspoon) scoop the stuffing mixture into the skillet, flattening them with a spoon.

Make them any size that you want.

Sauté until brown on each side and drain.

### Beef Tenderloin or Eye of the Round For Christmas Dinner

For today's recipe you can use either beef tenderloin or eye of the round roast. Both cuts of meat are delicious and,

of course, the beef tenderloin will cook a little faster. Either cut of beef will create a delicious holiday meal!

#### Ingredients and Directions:

- 3 - 4 medium-sized potatoes, washed, peeled and cut in half
- 1 medium onion, sliced
- 4 - 5 large carrots, washed, peeled and sliced lengthwise
- 4 or 5-pound roast depending on how many guests
- 2 tablespoons olive oil

First, prepare all of the vegetables before placing them with the roast in the roasting pan.

Once the vegetables are peeled and cut, place them in a large bowl and add ¼ cup olive oil, salt and pepper. Stir until all of the vegetables are well coated and let them sit coated in the bowl for about a half hour.

In a roasting pan greased with oil, place all of the vegetables and then place the beef on top of all of the vegetables.

Bake in a 350-degree oven checking to make sure the beef is cooked to your liking, rare, medium rare, etc. - so keep checking.

Beef tenderloin won't take as long, and depends on how well done you like meat cooked so be sure to check it.

Remove beef from the top of the vegetables and set aside.

Turn up the oven heat to 400 degrees so potatoes, onions and carrots will cook to your liking - about 5 or 10 minutes.

When serving, slice the beef and spread on a platter, then surround with the cooked vegetables.

*My daughter, Suzie and I would like to wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Very Happy New Year!!*

## Kim Miner Named Chief Of Staff Boston Unity Soccer Partners

Boston Unity Soccer Partners (BUSP) has hired sports executive Kim Miner of Quincy as the club's chief of staff. In this role, she will oversee the development and implementation of business strategy for the organization, which was recently awarded the National Women's Soccer League's 15th team, with play set to kick off in the 2026 season. Miner will report to BUSP Controlling Partner Jennifer Epstein.

Miner joins BUSP after serving as Executive Vice President/General Counsel for the Worcester Red Sox, where she was responsible for all aspects of the team's legal operations and was a key partner and advisor to chairman Larry Lucchino in negotiations to build Polar Park, the team's state-of-the-art home ballpark. As part of the club's senior



KIM MINER

leadership team, Miner participated in all important strategic decisions and was a central player in developing strong relationships with corporate, civic, and community leaders in the team's market. She also held a leadership role with the team's philanthropic arm, the WooSox Foundation, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit that focuses on education, recreation, social justice, and children's health.

"We're thrilled to have someone with Kim's ex-

traordinary background and experience as a cornerstone member of our team," said Epstein said. "Our goal is to build a championship-caliber franchise that the region will be proud of, both on the pitch and in the community. Kim's demonstrated success in establishing a team that reflects its local community will play a crucial role in building our footprint in the market."

As chief of staff, Miner will interface with all major team stakeholders, including the board, incoming staff, partners, community members, and vendors. She will also be involved in all foundational club decisions, including the development of the club's mission, vision, brand, and strategy, as well as building the organizational structure of the club and playing a prominent role in the revitalization of White Stadium as the team's home pitch.

"It's thrilling to get in on the ground floor and help bring Boston Unity Soccer Partners' vision to life on the pitch and in the community," Miner said. "What excites me about this role is having the opportunity to leave a lasting mark on the city's sports landscape. Boston sports fans are among the most passionate and savvy in the U.S. and I'm eager to get to work building another championship club for the region."

Prior to joining the Boston Red Sox' top minor-league affiliate in 2016 (then in Pawtucket, RI), Miner was a member of the corporate practice group at the Boston office of WilmerHale, a leading international law firm. She began her sports career in the front office of the Boston Red Sox, where she started as a Fenway Ambassador in the fan services department before advancing to the club's business development, ballpark planning, and legal departments.

As an active resident in the Quincy community, Miner is a member of the board of directors of You Can Play, a nonprofit that aims to improve inclusivity and belonging in sport, a longtime youth mentor and "Big Sister," and volunteers for the Quincy Animal Shelter.

Miner is a graduate of Harvard Law School. She also graduated summa cum laude and Phi Beta Kappa with a degree in economics from Tufts University, where she played varsity softball. She is a member of the board of directors of You Can Play, a nonprofit that aims to improve inclusivity and belonging in sport, has been a longtime youth mentor and "Big Sister," and volunteers for the Quincy Animal Shelter. Miner lives in Quincy with her husband, Adam.

## Social Security Matters I'm 65 And Working; Can I Collect Ex-Spouse Benefits?

By RUSSELL GLOOR

National Social Security Advisor

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**Dear Rusty:** I turned 65 earlier this year, and I still work full time. I was divorced four years ago after 38 years of marriage, but my ex-husband has been collecting Social Security for at least 10 years now. Can I start collecting Social Security and still work full time? And can I collect my ex-husband's amount if it is more than mine (and what is the best way to achieve this)? When I went to my local SSA office, they said they had no way of knowing that. **Signed: Working Divorcee**

**Dear Working Divorcee:** Although you are eligible to claim Social Security at age 65, because you are working full time you may wish to wait a bit longer to do so. That's because Social Security has an "earnings test" which applies to anyone who collects benefits before full retirement age, and you have not yet reached yours.

The earnings test imposes a limit on how much you can earn before SS takes away some of your benefits. If you exceed the annual earnings limit (\$22,320 for 2024), Social Security will want back \$1 in benefits for every \$2 you are over the limit and you will need to repay that, usually by having future benefits withheld. If you significantly exceed the limit, you may even be temporarily ineligible to receive SS benefits until you either earn less or reach your full retirement age (FRA) of 66 years and 8 months. So, if your earnings from working will significantly exceed the annual earnings limit (which changes yearly), it's likely that your wisest move would be to wait longer to claim your Social Security. As a bonus for doing so, your monthly payment will have grown and will be higher when you claim later. The earnings test no longer applies after you reach FRA.

Regarding benefits from your ex-husband, you cannot collect his instead of yours. What you may be able to do, when you claim your own benefit, is to get an additional amount which brings your monthly payment up to 50% of his. In order for that to happen, you would need to satisfy the following criteria:

- You are not currently married.
- The personal benefit you are entitled to at your FRA must be less than 50% of your ex-husband's FRA entitlement.

If the above are true, when you claim your own SS retirement benefit you will also get a "spousal boost" to bring your payment up to what you're entitled to as an ex-spouse. The amount of the spousal boost, if you claim Social Security at your FRA, will be the difference between half of his FRA entitlement and your FRA entitlement. If you claim your benefit before your FRA, not only will your own benefit be reduced for claiming early, but the amount of your spousal boost will also be reduced (benefits claimed before FRA are always reduced).

Whenever you decide to claim Social Security, you will be automatically deemed to be filing for benefits from your ex-husband as well (you shouldn't need to apply separately). You've already satisfied the basic criteria of at least 10 years married to get benefits from an ex-spouse and, if you satisfy the above criteria as well, you will be entitled to a spousal boost when you claim. But your current earnings from working full time will likely affect your eligibility to collect Social Security benefits at this time, so waiting until your full retirement age to claim may be your best choice.

If you will only slightly exceed the annual earnings limit you can consider claiming earlier, as long as you are comfortable with receiving a permanently reduced amount, and the prospect of not getting benefits for a number of months if you exceed the earnings limit (the number of months you will go without benefits depends on how much you exceed the limit by).

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## Movie Review: 'The Boy And The Heron'

By **BOB GARVER**

**NOTE:** This Japanese film is available in both "Subbed" and "Dubbed" versions. This review will focus on the "Dubbed" version with the English-language voice cast.

Anime legend Hayao Miyazaki has come out of retirement for "The Boy and the Heron," a sprawling fantasy with semiautobiographical elements. Surprisingly, it's the more grounded elements that work better, maybe because they're lifted from Miyazaki's own life. They're part of his own story so he made sure to get them right before letting himself indulge in the fantastical portion of the film.

The film follows 12-year-old Mahito Maki (Luca Padovan) a few years after the death of his mother in a Tokyo hospital fire. His father (Christian Bale) marries his mother's younger sister Natsuko (Gemma Chan) and together they move to the countryside, to

an estate originally built by Mahito's eccentric architect great-granduncle (Mark Hamill). I really was drawn into the story of the boy being whisked away to a new family life in an unfamiliar place, a position of affluence where he's nevertheless incredibly lonely and broken. Then the maids showed up and the movie lost me.

There are seven maids that work at the estate, and I have to believe there's some sort of "Snow White" parallel there. They're animated in a different, jarring fashion than the human characters we've seen up to that point, and the way they talk and move is off-putting too. Only one of them, named Kiriko (Florence Pugh) is necessary for the story. I have a theory that Miyazaki held a contest among his animation team to see who could design the funniest-looking old lady character in his trademark style, and he liked so many entries that he created more characters

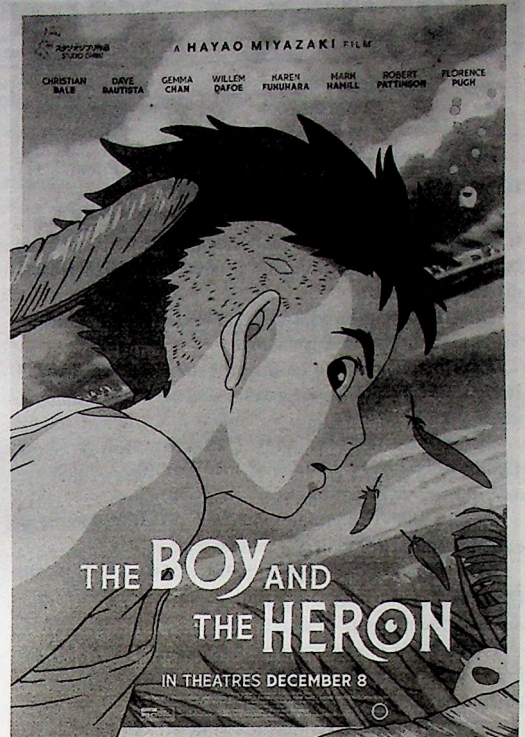
just so he'd have an excuse to use them.

Mahito has such a hard time fitting in at school that he smashes his head with a rock to get out of going. It's around this time that the gradually-building fantasy elements start manifesting, and I can't help but wonder if what follows is a result of brain damage. A mysterious heron has been following Mahito around the property. He finally asks it what it wants, and surprisingly, the bird (Robert Pattinson) has an answer. It wants to take him to an alternate world ruled by his great-granduncle, a world where a younger version of his mother (Karen Fukuhara) is still alive.

From there, the movie is a crazy adventure through an alternate reality, maybe several alternate realities, it's all so confusing. There are new creatures and bizarre people around every corner. Somehow parakeets are the dominant species, and their

king (Dave Bautista) wants to keep it that way. Eventually Mahito learns the hard lesson that the real world, with all its faults and malice, is better than even the best fantasy world, though I question how tempting the fantasy world actually is when it's filled with blood-thirsty parakeets.

Maybe "The Boy and the Heron" makes more sense to people well-versed in Miyazaki's style. His contributions to animation — not just in Japan, but worldwide — can't be overstated. He even won a Best Animated Feature Oscar before Disney ever did. This was my first official exposure to his work, and I can't say I cared for it. I got a sort of whiplash from being constantly thrown into new fantasy worlds with new rules every five minutes. It doesn't help that this movie is coming out at a time when people are tiring of the "multiverse" genre. Miyazaki clearly wants to get



as many of his ambitious ideas onscreen as he can at age 82, but I didn't need to be hit with everything, everywhere, all at once.

Grade: C

"The Boy and the Heron" is rated PG-13 for some violent content/bloody images and smoking. Its running time is 124 minutes.

## QATV Wins Overall Excellence In The Nor'Easter Awards

Quincy Access Television (QATV) has won the 1st Place Award for Overall Excellence in the Alliance for Community Media's (ACM) Nor'easter Awards.

The ACM- Nor'easter Awards recognize the achievements of Community Media/PEG Access Centers and their local producers. This year's award ceremony was held in November at the Media Factory in Burlington, VT.

Quincy Access took home first place in "Overall Excellence" for the third year in a row, with a compilation titled "Just the Facts." Overall Excellence is a professional-only award that recognizes access organizations in the Northeast region, and Overall Excellence is the highest achievement of the Nor'Easter Awards.

"Winning Overall Excellence in three consecutive years is a big accomplishment," said QATV Executive Director Jonathan Calir.

"It is a testament to the talent and hard work by the staff and members of Quincy Access Television, who produce a variety of local programming to inform and entertain the residents of Quincy."

Mark Crosby, QATV Government Access Coordinator, produced the Overall Excellence compilation titled "Just the Facts." He traveled to Vermont to pick up the award and describes the conception of the compilation's theme, "the look for this year's submission is reminiscent of Film Noir, a cinematic term used primarily to describe stylized Hollywood crime dramas. No crime here though, just a collection of award-winning programming produced by my fellow colleagues and QATV members."

State Rep. Bruce Ayers, is no stranger to Quincy

Access Television, as he hosts and produces his own show "Legislative Update", and appears regularly on QATV's "State View" program. Ayers said of the award, "QATV plays an important role in the city of Quincy, it's a great resource for keeping people informed", and regarding community access stations across the Commonwealth, "Please continue to support your local cable stations and everything they do for the community."

The award-winning show "Overall Excellence: Just the Facts" can be viewed on demand at [www.qatv.org](http://www.qatv.org).

Quincy Access Television is located at 88 Washington Street, adjacent to the Thomas Crane Public Library. For more information regarding your local public access channels and how you can become involved, please contact us at 617-376-1440.



QUINCY ACCESS TELEVISION (QATV) has won the 1st Place Award for Overall Excellence in the Alliance for Community Media's (ACM) Nor'easter Awards. Mark Crosby, QATV Government Access Coordinator, produced the Overall Excellence compilation titled "Just the Facts."

Courtesy Photo

## READERS FORUM

### Congratulates Sun Publisher For Salvation Army Award

Congratulations to Bob Bosworth - the inaugural recipient of the Henry Bosworth award from the Salvation Army! A well-deserved honor. Henry would be so very, very proud. He would be proud to see Bob continue his legacy of organizing the Red Kettle drive in front of city hall, of course, but he would be equally proud (if not more), to see how Bob has flourished into the well-respected publisher and editor that he has become in his own right.

During a time when the lights in local (and even regional) newsrooms are growing dim across the country, The Quincy Sun is still shining bright. The continued success of the Sun is due to Bob's philosophy that "community causes are the fabric of this newspaper," as he penned in a September 2010 column, celebrating the 43rd anniversary of the paper.

As we begin the holiday season, Bob reminds me of the famously celebrated newsman Francis Pharcellus Church,

who wrote the legendary editorial, "Yes, Virginia, there is a Santa Claus." Bob is the type of writer and publisher who would take the time and interest to write such a reply if a similar letter were sent to him in this day and age. In this modern era of social media and "sensational" headlines, Bob cares more about getting the story right than getting the story first. Bob respects his readers, and knows them by name.

In a slightly edited version of Church's famous editorial, I would offer the following: "How dreary would be the world if there were no Bob Bosworth! He exists as certainly as love and generosity and devotion exist, and you know that they abound and give to your life its highest beauty and joy."

Sean Glennon  
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### Six Residents On Xaverian Brothers HS Honor Roll

Six students from Quincy have been named to the honor roll for the first quarter at Xaverian Brothers High School in Westwood.

They are:

Nicholas Cerone, Ryken Honors, grade 12; Thomas

Mantville, Ryken Honors, grade 12; Ronan Packard, First Honors, grade 8; Jacob Gratch, First Honors, grade 9; Emmett Gurwitch, First Honors, grade 12 and Eros Ng, First Honors, grade 12.

### Winter Solstice Event

The Thomas Crane Public Library will host a Winter Solstice Cocoa and Coloring event on Thursday, Dec. 21, from 2 to 4 p.m. in the Atrium, Main Library, 40 Washington St.

The event will include

free hot cocoa, coloring and cozy reading recommendations provided by the Thomas Crane Public Library.

Sign-ups for the Winter Reading Club are encouraged and will also be available throughout the event.



# QUINCY POLICE CRIME AWARENESS JOURNAL

Entries submitted by the Quincy Police Department

## FRIDAY, DEC. 8

**DISORDER (Fight)**, 1:10 a.m., Cathay Pacific, 111 Hancock St. Peace restored. Units clear.

**ASSAULT AND BATTERY (W/male)**, 11:18 a.m., CVS Pharmacy, 42 Beale St. Male arrested for assault and battery on a police officer, threats to commit a crime and disorderly conduct.

**DISORDER (two males)**, 12:48 p.m., 1385 Hancock St. Peace restored. Sent on the way.

**SHOPLIFT (female in store)**, 1:10 p.m., Target, 289 Hancock St. Female suspect trespassed by Target employee in presence of officer.

**SHOPLIFT (holding one)**, 2:25 p.m., Stop & Shop, 495 Southern Arty. Male with loss prevention. Items returned. Suspect issued trespass.

**SHOPLIFT (white male)**, 3:33 p.m., Target, 289 Hancock St. Trespass issued and sent on way.

**DISORDER (road rage incident)**, 4:56 p.m., Hannon Pkwy & Parkingway. No assault reported. Caller wanted incident documented. Advised.

**LARCENY (stolen backpack)**, 5:16 p.m., Star Market, 130 Granite St. Caller states a contract employee's backpack was stolen. Report to be filed.

**VANDALISM/PROPERTY (window)**, 5:31 p.m., Autozone, 1092 Southern Arty. Window smashed. Nothing further. Report to be filed.

**DISORDER (fight)**, 6:53 p.m., Star Market, 130 Granite St. Fight outside. Issue over shopping carts. One person had already left. The other was advised.

**DISORDER (two males)**, 8:17 p.m., Eastern Nazarene College, 23 E. Elm Ave. All involved extremely uncooperative. School to handle internally.

**DISORDER (female)**, 10:44 p.m., Point Liquors, 230 Washington St. Caller reports female yelling and screaming. Unable to locate on arrive. Caller reports female left the area.

## SATURDAY, DEC. 9

**WORKING FIRE (house fire)**, 12:00 a.m., 42 Lyons

St. Caller states she can see flames coming from the house. Call transferred to QFD. Two people transported to Mass General Hospital.

## SUNDAY, DEC. 10

**ASSAULT AND BATTERY (past)**, 10:49 a.m., 2 Hancock St. Report to be filed.

**SHOPLIFT (female)**, 3:12 p.m., Walgreen Pharmacy, 550 Adams St. Suspect fled the area in a white sedan. Report to be filed.

**SHOPLIFT (flat screen TV)**, 3:22 p.m., BJ's, 200 Crown Colony Dr. 55-inch TV stolen. Report to be filed.

**LARCENY (three packages stolen)**, 3:35 p.m., 20 block of Holmes St. Three packages stolen from front porch. Case number provided.

**LARCENY (stolen package)**, 4:13 p.m., 40 block of Waterston Ave. Report to be filed.

## MONDAY, DEC. 11

**BREAKING AND ENTERING/MOTOR VEHICLE (just occurred)**, 3:30 a.m., 60 Broadway. Area checked. No sign of party. Report to be filed.

**ATTEMPTED MOTOR VEHICLE LARCENY (past)**, 9:03 a.m., 160 block of Summit Ave. Broken steering column. Report to be filed.

**ASSAULT AND BATTERY (males fighting)**, 9:42 a.m., Columbia St. Report to be filed.

**DISORDER (male)**, 10:28 a.m., 1515 Hancock St. Caller says he is being asked to leave. Does not want to go. Will be by the security desk. Trespassed by site manager in presence of officer. Cleared by Brewster. Sent on way.

**LARCENY (delivered package)**, 10:37 a.m., Neponset Landing, 2 Hancock St. Report to be filed.

**BREAKING AND ENTERING/MOTOR VEHICLE (past)**, 12:19 p.m., 20 block of Grogan Ave. Airbag stolen. Report to be filed.

**LARCENY (package)**, 3:24 p.m., 30 block of French St. Report to be filed.

## TUESDAY, DEC. 12

**DISORDER (Uber)**, 4:26 a.m., 2 Hancock St. Out front of building. Driver having issue with passenger. Disagree-

ment over the amount of stops Uber driver could make. Female got another Uber. Peace restored.

**LARCENY (clothes)**, 12:18 p.m., O'Brien Towers, 73 Bicknell St. Report to be filed.

**LARCENY (microwave)**, 2:17 p.m., 1000 Southern Arty. Report to be filed.

**ATTEMPTED BREAKING AND ENTERING (dwelling)**, 6:21 p.m., 333 Ricciuti Dr. No visible damage. Door can still be secured. Report to be filed.

**SHOPLIFT (male)**, 8:56 p.m., Walmart, 301 Falls Blvd. Shoplifter detained by loss prevention. Store received items back. Trespass issued by store employee.

## WEDNESDAY, DEC. 13

**SHOPLIFT (male)**, 5:38 p.m., Home Depot, 177 Willard St. Stole tools. Suspect paid for some items and put other items in his pocket. Store to handle. Sent on way.

**SHOPLIFT (male)**, 9:01 p.m., Dollar Tree, 100 Granite St. Suspect was trespassed in presence of officer. Suspect trespassed from both Quincy Dollar Trees. Sent on the way. Advised.

## THURSDAY, DEC. 14

**DISORDER (two males)**, 5:51 a.m., Father Bill's Place, 39 Broad St. Fighting inside the building. No weapons. Male that was causing issue has left. Peace is restored.

**LARCENY (stolen packages)**, 12:10 p.m., 90 Quincy Shore Dr. Report to be filed.

**LARCENY (Samsung)**, 1:06 p.m., Thomas Crane Public Library, 40 Washington St. No suspect info. Victim to file report online.

**LARCENY (package)**, 1:16 p.m., 900 block of Southern Arty. Suspect was gone on arrival. Report to be filed.

**LARCENY (package)**, 1:58 p.m., Bates Ave. Report to be filed.

**LARCENY (presents)**, 2:14 p.m., River Bay Club, 99 Brackett St. Caller states Christmas presents were stolen from her unit. Report to be filed.

**LARCENY (Android phone)**, 4:08 p.m., Target, 289 Hancock St. The caller will be outside on the parking lot side. Report to be filed.

## Councillor-Elect Minton Hosts Public Safety Seminar At Fenno House

By DANIEL MINTON

Recently, at the Fenno House, a senior independent and assisted living facility in Quincy, I, Ward 5 City Councillor-elect Dan Minton and Officer William Griffin of the Quincy Police Community Services Unit, held a public safety seminar.

We focused on the various types of scams and other issues of concern to the residents. I covered a wide range of scams that are often directed at senior citizens and why they are victimized more often than other age groups. The biggest threats come from telephone solicitations, mail and internet scams.

There was a review of the psychology of telemarketer tactics, often using high pressure, guilt, threats and confusion to overwhelm their victim. Some of the scams covered were "the computer virus, you've won a lottery, a family member is in trouble, your automobile warranty is expiring, your credit card account has been compromised, your cable company info needs updating and the IRS is demanding payment," to name a few.

Residents were advised that once they become a victim of a scam, the criminal(s) will often continue to attempt



WARD 5 Councillor-Elect Daniel Minton (left) and Officer William Griffin of the Quincy Police Community Services Unit, held a public safety seminar at Fenno House.

Courtesy Photo

further scams and although it may be embarrassing to be a

victim, it is important to contact the Police in order to catch the criminal and try to recover financial losses.

We then talked about giving to charities and how to determine if the organization was legitimate; that monies were going to services rather than exaggerated salaries. Staff members and attendees were provided helpful resources to investigate an organization's spending and accounting.

Officer Griffin concluded the presentation by urging residents to contact him regarding any attempts made by scammers to defraud them and then opened up the meeting to a "question and answer" session, which covered a wide range of topics relating to personal safety and traffic.

The bottom line to the residents (and readers!) – If something does not feel right and your personal finances are at risk, ask for help from someone you trust before taking any action. There is no hurry to act, especially when the deal seems too good to be true. Remember, when you are retired and living on a fixed income, it is very difficult to recover from a financial loss!

Thank you to the Fenno House staff and residents for the warm reception!

## BBB Scam Alert: Don't Be Fooled By A Fake Package Delivery Scam

By BETTER BUSINESS BUREAU

Online purchases and package deliveries skyrocket during the holiday season. Naturally, scammers use this opportunity to trick busy shoppers into giving out their personal information. Here's what you should know about a new twist on delivery scams.

### How the scam works

You receive a text message from what appears to be a delivery driver looking for your home. It says something like this: "Hi! My name is Tony. I work for FedEx, and I'm trying to find your house. Please call me." If the message seems a little strange to you, trust your gut. It's a scam!

A different delivery scam includes a text stating, "The USPS package has arrived at the warehouse and cannot be delivered due to incomplete address information. Please confirm your address in the link. <https://realmastm.com> (Please reply to 1, then exit the SMS, open the SMS activation link again, or copy the link to Safari browser and open it) The US Postal team wishes you a wonderful day."

If you call the number, the scammer will ask you to con-

firm your personal details, including your name, address, and possibly even your credit card information. If you don't remember ordering anything that needs to be delivered, the caller may try to convince you the package is a gift from a friend or relative. According to BBB Scam Tracker reports, the callers are often friendly and professional, making the scam harder to spot.

Also, look out for text or email messages that ask you to reschedule a delivery or pay a small delivery fee. These messages often look legitimate - containing official logos and using professional language. But if you click, you may download malware onto your computer that gives con artists access to personal information and passwords.

In either case, the package doesn't exist. If you give up your personal information, it will be in the hands of con artists, and you'll be at risk of identity theft.

### How to avoid delivery scams

• **Keep track of your deliveries.** Scammers hope you'll just assume they are talking about a package you ordered recently, without double-checking. It will be much harder

for them to fool you if you know what packages you are expecting, from what companies, and when.

• **Know delivery company policies.** Delivery companies will never contact you with unsolicited calls or texts. Depending on how you signed up for notifications, messages usually are posted within a secure online portal. Be leery of unsolicited messages, especially if you never signed up for text alerts.

• **Never give sensitive personal information to strangers.** If an unsolicited caller asks you for personal information, even if they claim to represent a company you trust, hang up and call the company using the official customer service number. Calling the company yourself is the best way to determine if the inquiry is legitimate or a scam.

More Quincy news:

**The Quincy Sun.com**



# Quincy Boys' Basketball Bows To Plymouth South

**By TOM JOYCE**  
The Quincy High boys' basketball team was competitive last Friday night, but their opponent pulled away as the game progressed. The Presidents led for much of the first half, but the Plymouth South Panthers eventually pulled away. The Presidents bowed 67-53 and

fell to 0-3 on the season. The Presidents led at the end of the first quarter despite starting it at a deficit. Plymouth South was strong in the first few minutes of the contest, starting things off on a 7-0 run. The team hit two layups and a three-pointer, forcing the Presidents to call a timeout.

About 20 seconds later, Jerry Dessalines got the Presidents on the board with a layup. Plymouth South responded with a three-point play, but the Presidents followed that up with a 16-3 run that gave them an 18-13 edge.

K'Von Becker started it off with back-to-back layups, followed by a layup from Mohamad Tarjali. Plymouth South responded with a three-pointer, but the Presidents kept rolling. Tarjali hit a shot right near the basket, Dessalines scored off an offensive rebound, and a layup from Luke Mordas with just over two minutes left in the quarter gave

the team a 14-13 edge. A free throw apiece from Manny Aguayo and Tarjali, plus a layup from Mordas capped off the run. Plymouth South got a bucket as time expired in the first

quarter, so the Presidents led 18-15 after eight minutes played. However, Plymouth South heated up in the second quarter and went into

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## Nicole Leung Sets Woodward Scoring Mark

The Woodward Wildcats Basketball Team brought their 2-0 record to Cambridge on Dec. 11 to face The Blue Terriers of The International School of Boston (ISB).

The Wildcats blew the game open early led by co-captain Nicole Lueng. At the end of the first quarter Lueng had scored 18 points while the Wildcats defense led by co-captain sophomores Laila Whyte and Leilah Caruthers, with freshman Abby Houghton and 7th grader Melanie Francois held ISB to 6 points.

The score ended with a Woodward 55-38 victory. Every member of the team played well and Nicole Lueng scored 45 points setting a new all time Wildcat record for the most points scored in a single game.

Dec. 14th saw Woodward's first loss of the season at the hands of The Learning



NICOLE LUENG '26 set a new Wildcat scoring record with a screen by Leilah Caruthers '26 in the Woodward School's 55-38 win over The International School of Boston Dec. 11.

Photo by Keith Noble

Center of Framingham, 55-45. The Wildcats were short handed with four players out and could not keep up defensively with the offensive

pressure of The Galloping Ghosts of TLC.

Sophomore Nicole Jueng tossed in 32 points and Leilah Caruthers added a career high 9 points. Everyone

gave 100 percent effort led by sophomore Mar Bautista and freshman Scarlett Morin.

## Quincy-North Quincy Winter Track Vs. Plymouth South Dec. 16 at Reggie Lewis Center

SCORES: Girls Plymouth South 54, QNQ 46  
Boys Plymouth South 73.5 QNQ 23.5

| QNG vs PLYMOUTH SOUTH 12/16/23 @ REGGIE LEWIS CENTER |              |     |       |          |               |       |  |
|------------------------------------------------------|--------------|-----|-------|----------|---------------|-------|--|
| First                                                | Last         | Gen | Event | Perf     | Scoring Place | notes |  |
| Kimberly                                             | Le           | F   | 55    | 8.32     | 2             | SR    |  |
| Marielle                                             | Kouassi      | F   | 55    | 8.65     |               |       |  |
| Kathy                                                | Duong        | F   | 55    | 8.78     |               |       |  |
| Livia                                                | Fantlin      | F   | 55    | 8.89     |               | PR    |  |
| Aubrey                                               | Callard      | F   | 55    | 9.05     |               |       |  |
| Mikilah                                              | Aubrey       | F   | 55    | 9.23     |               |       |  |
| Lakshiga                                             | Periyasamy   | F   | 55    | 9.30     |               |       |  |
| McKenna                                              | Lawton       | F   | 55    | 9.61     |               |       |  |
| Paige                                                | Grippli      | F   | 55    | 9.63     |               |       |  |
| Bassma                                               | Torky        | F   | 55    | 9.95     |               |       |  |
| Maggie                                               | Potts        | F   | 55    | 10.04    |               | PR    |  |
| Anna                                                 | Kuang        | F   | 55    | 10.07    |               |       |  |
| Christine (Yan)                                      | Llin         | F   | 55    | 10.16    |               |       |  |
| Azaryia                                              | Brown        | F   | 55    | 10.50    |               |       |  |
| Nora                                                 | Ganno        | F   | 55    | 10.61    |               |       |  |
| Dua                                                  | Rafaqat      | F   | 55    | 11.23    |               |       |  |
| Sofija                                               | Slezas       | F   | 300   | 46.14    | 2             |       |  |
| Piper                                                | Henderson    | F   | 300   | 51.65    |               |       |  |
| Maddy                                                | McGillcuddy  | F   | 600   | 1:44.60  | 1             | PR    |  |
| Amellja                                              | Slezas       | F   | 600   | 1:57.35  |               | PR    |  |
| Erin                                                 | DellaBarba   | F   | 600   | 2:04.78  |               |       |  |
| Sophia                                               | Hagstrom     | F   | 600   | 2:30.74  |               |       |  |
| Aluna                                                | Coogan-Coyne | F   | 1000  | 3:09.01  | 1             | PR    |  |
| Zoe                                                  | Nelson       | F   | 1000  | 3:42.02  | 3             |       |  |
| Caroline                                             | Zuffante     | F   | 2mile | 14:24.54 | 1             |       |  |
| Sophia                                               | Edwards      | F   | HH    | 10.39    | 2             | PR    |  |
| Amy                                                  | Tan          | F   | HH    | 11.85    |               |       |  |
| Sophia                                               | Edwards      | F   | HJ    | 4'06"    | 2             | PR    |  |
| Paige                                                | Grippli      | F   | LJ    | 10'10.75 |               |       |  |
| Kathy                                                | Duong        | F   | LJ    | 13'01"   | 3             | SR    |  |
| Aluna                                                | Coogan-Coyne | F   | Mile  | 5:43.18  | 1             | SR    |  |
| Grace                                                | Cody         | F   | Mile  | 6:11.77  | 3             | PR    |  |

|                 |           |   |       |          |        |         |
|-----------------|-----------|---|-------|----------|--------|---------|
| Genesis         | Anderson  | F | SP    | 17'03.5" |        |         |
| Brooklyn        | Rizzo     | F | SP    | 26'05"   | 3      | SR      |
| Bassma          | Torky     | F | SP    | 28'01.5" | 3      |         |
| Grace           | McGough   | F | SP    | 29'05"   | 1      | PR      |
| Azaryia         | Brown     | F | SPJV  | 15'03"   |        |         |
| McKenna         | Lawton    | F | SPJV  | 18'03"   |        |         |
| Nora            | Ganno     | F | SPJV  | 18'05"   |        | PR      |
| Christine (Yan) | Llin      | F | SPJV  | 20'07"   |        | SR      |
| Anushka         | Raj       | F | SPJV  | 21'08.5" | 3      |         |
| Mikilah         | Aubrey    | F | SPJV  | 22'07"   | 2      | PR      |
| Blake           | Nelson    | M | 55    | 7.29     | 2      |         |
| Leo             | Steinberg | M | 55    | 7.35     |        |         |
| Jayden          | Francois  | M | 55    | 7.54     |        |         |
| Gavin           | Brown     | M | 55    | 7.60     |        |         |
| Jonas           | Ala       | M | 55    | 7.72     |        |         |
| Eddy            | Liu       | M | 55    | 7.79     |        |         |
| Cyrus           | Llin      | M | 55    | 7.97     |        | PR      |
| Quadr           | Essex     | M | 55    | 8.04     |        |         |
| Alex            | Zhao      | M | 55    | 8.39     |        |         |
| Kyle            | Li        | M | 55    | 8.45     |        |         |
| Anthony         | Ng        | M | 55    | 8.71     |        |         |
| LanJun          | Llin      | M | 55    | 8.85     |        |         |
| Miguel          | Lemay     | M | 55    | 8.98     |        |         |
| Albert          | Dong      | M | 55    | 11.85    |        |         |
| Justin          | Nguyen    | M | 300   | 8.55     |        |         |
| Jayden          | Francois  | M | 300   | 37.97    | 1      | PR      |
| Vincent         | Llin      | M | 300   | 44.29    |        | PR      |
| Kyle            | Li        | M | 300   | 48.61    |        | PR      |
| Jayden          | Anderson  | M | 600   | 1:34.67  | 2      | PR      |
| Warrick         | Quon      | M | 600   | 1:51.08  |        | PR      |
| Jayden          | Zhong     | M | 600   | 1:54.72  |        |         |
| Eric            | Chen      | M | 600   | 1:56.02  |        | PR      |
| Alden           | Belfort   | M | 600   | 2:03.54  |        |         |
| Andrew          | Perkins   | M | 1000  | 3:46.89  |        | PR      |
| Darwin          | Dao       | M | 1000  | 3:56.67  |        |         |
| Wilson          | Chen      | M | 2mile | 12:42.87 |        |         |
| Blake           | Nelson    | M | HJ    | 5'00"    | 3(tie) |         |
| Darryl          | Wright    | M | HJ    | 5'00"    | 3(tie) |         |
| Nathan          | Allen     | M | HJ    | 5'04"    | 1      | tiesP R |
| Jonas           | Ala       | M | LJ    | 14'09"   |        |         |
| Leo             | Steinberg | M | LJ    | 17'03"   | 3      |         |
| Jayden          | Francois  | M | LJ    | 19'03.5" | 1      | SR      |
| Kyle            | Clements  | M | Mile  | 5:10.85  |        |         |
| Tedsen          | Pierre    | M | SP    | 30'07.25 |        | PR      |
| William         | Lanergan  | M | SP    | 33'09.25 | 3      |         |

SCORES: Girls Plymouth South 54 QNQ 46, Boys Plymouth South 73.5 QNQ 23.5 SR = season best, PR = personal best

## Quincy Boys' Hockey Falls To Scituate

**By TOM JOYCE**  
The Quincy High boys' hockey team faced a tough Patriot League opponent last Saturday afternoon.

The Presidents faced the Scituate Sailors on the road at Hobomock Ice Arena in Pembroke Dec. 16. Scituate's offense was sharp, and the Presidents could not match their output. Ultimately, the Presidents lost 8-1 and fell to 1-1 on the season.

Although Scituate's offense was sharp throughout the game, it also was early in the game, giving the team a quick lead. In the first five minutes, Scituate netted two goals, going up 2-0. While this was the difference-maker in the game, the team continued to add insurance goals over the remaining 40 minutes of play. The team scored two more goals in the first period to go up 4-0.

While the Presidents trailed going into the second period, it didn't take them long to get a goal of their own. The Presidents started the second period with part of a power play remaining. Although they did not score on the power play, senior captain and forward Teddy Lynch put them on the board a couple of minutes into the period. The goal came after junior forward and captain Anthony Tibbetts deflected a Scituate puck down the ice into Scituate territory. Lynch skated down the ice, picked up the loose puck, and flipped it into the back of the net for a Presidents goal. This made it a 4-1 game.

However, that was all of the offense the Presidents could muster in this one and Scituate kept its offense going. Scituate added another four goals in the second period, increasing its lead to 8-1.

Neither team scored in the third period as Scituate played a more conservative style of hockey and put in some of its reserves.

The loss to Scituate was the first of two meetings scheduled between these two teams this season. They are also set to play one another on Jan. 24 at the Quincy Youth Arena (8 p.m. start time).

Scituate is expected to be a strong team this season, as it was last year. In the 2022-2023 season, Scituate made it to the Massachu-

setts Interscholastic Athletic Association Division 3 state championship game for boys' hockey but fell 2-1 in overtime to Nashoba Valley at TD Garden in Boston.

Although the Presidents came up short against Scituate last weekend, they won their opening game of the season. The team defeated Bellingham 5-4 on the road on Dec. 13, picking up its first win of the season. In the win, the team had a spread-out scoring effort. Teddy Lynch, Joe Curtin, Anthony Tibbetts, Joe MacNeil, and Ethan Johnston all scored goals for the Presidents against Bellingham.

The Presidents have a relatively small roster this season, with 17 players listed. However, they have a mix of youth and experience, with six seniors on the team. The roster for the Presidents this season includes: senior captain and forward Teddy Lynch, junior forward David Mellyn, junior forward and captain Anthony Tibbetts, senior forward Sam Schaaf, junior forward Coleman Quigley, junior forward Ian Manning-Harvey, freshman forward Chris Sheehy, junior forward Ethan Johnston, senior forward Will Curtin, sophomore forward Travis Garrett, junior forward Joseph Curtin, freshman defenseman Andrew Griffin, senior defenseman Liam Foley, senior forward and captain Jack Dunn, sophomore forward and captain Joseph MacNeil, senior goalie Nathaniel Hall, and sophomore goalie Brayden O'Connell.

The next game for the Presidents will take place this Tuesday, Dec. 26, against the North Quincy Raiders at the Quincy Youth Arena (6 p.m. start time). It is a part of the Quincy Youth Arena Holiday Tournament. Two days later, the Presidents will play an opponent that has yet to be determined -- either Milton or King Philip since those are the two other teams participating in the tournament.

The Quincy-North Quincy game will be the first of two match-ups between these two teams this season. They will also play one another in the Presidents regular season finale on Feb. 17 at the Quincy Youth Arena (6:30 p.m. start time).



# OBITUARIES

## Frederick Goodwin Christensen, 89

Frederick Goodwin Christensen, age 89 of Hingham formerly of Milton and Quincy, passed away on Tuesday, Dec. 12, 2023.

Beloved husband of 46 years of Janice (Krajewska) of Hingham. Cherished brother-in-law of Linda Carr and her husband William Michael Carr of Quincy.

Frederick was a graduate of Lexington Christian Academy, Class of 1953. He was a proud and loyal brother to his masonic family, being past master of Atlantic and Quincy Lodge



FREDERICK GOODWIN CHRISTENSEN

and long-time secretary of Delta Lodge AF & AM of

Braintree, and Lodge of Instruction. Frederick was an employee of Paine Furniture - Boston as a Purchasing agent and Roche Bros.

Visiting hours and a Masonic Service were held Sunday, Dec. 17th at the Dolan Funeral Home, 460 Granite Ave., East Milton Square.

Interment will be private. In lieu of flowers donations in memory of Frederick may be made to a charity of one's choice.

## Marie T. White, 58



MARIE T. WHITE

Nugget. She was excited to be a new grandmother and cherished her granddaughter, Nora. She liked planning trips to Plainridge Park Casino with her friends to try her luck. Marie's quick wit, sense of humor and caring and generous disposition made for a wonderful mother, wife, sister, grandmother and friend. She will be dearly missed by all who knew her.

Devoted mother to Derek White and his wife Lindsay of Braintree and Megan White of Braintree. Beloved wife of 33 years to Kevin M. White of Braintree. Proud grandmother to Nora White of Braintree. Loving sister to David Duffy and his wife Karen of Weymouth, Kevin Duffy of Quincy, Kathy Duffy of Quincy and Michael Duffy and his wife Mani of CT. Cherished guardian to Nugget the cat. Also survived by many nieces and nephews.

Visiting hours were held Monday, Dec. 18th, in the Keohane Funeral Home, 785 Hancock St., Quincy. A Celebration of Life Service will be held in the funeral home at on Tuesday, Dec. 19th, prior to the Funeral Mass in St. Ann's Church, Quincy. Burial in Blue Hill Cemetery, Braintree.

## Marion T. O'Malley, 91

Marion T. O'Malley, age 91, a longtime resident of Quincy, passed away peacefully, Monday, Dec. 11, 2023 at RegalCare of Quincy.

Marion was born, raised, and educated in Boston. She was a graduate of Regis College and had lived in Quincy for over fifty-two years.

She was employed by the City of Quincy as head clerk in the Treasurer's Office with twenty-five years of service, retiring in 1997.

Marion was a longtime, active parishioner and daily communicant of Saint John the Baptist Church in Quincy, where she enjoyed many friendships. Over the



MARION T. O'MALLEY

years, she served as a lector, extraordinary minister of Holy Communion, offertory counter, and a member of the parish pastoral council. She was a member of the former Saint John's Ladies

Sodality and the Catholic Club.

Beloved daughter of the late Austin F. and Kathleen G. (Ennis) O'Malley.

Dear sister of the late Kathleen O'Malley, Austin F. O'Malley, M.D. and his surviving wife Patricia of Centerville, and the late James A. O'Malley and his late wife Eileen.

Marion is survived by several cousins, nieces and nephews, grand-nieces, grand-nephews, and their families.

Visitation was held at the Sweeney Brothers Home for Funerals, 1 Independence Ave, Quincy, on Monday, Dec. 18. Immediately following the visitation, a Funeral Mass was celebrated in Saint John the Baptist Church, 44 School St., Quincy. Interment followed at Saint Joseph Cemetery, 990 LaGrange St., West Roxbury.

For those who wish, donations in Marion's memory may be made to the Congregation of the Sisters of Saint Joseph of Boston, 637 Cambridge St., Brighton, MA 02135.

You are invited to visit [www.thesweeneybrothers.com](http://www.thesweeneybrothers.com) or call 617-472-6344.

Marie T. White (Duffy) a longtime resident of Braintree, formerly of Quincy, passed away after a hard-fought battle against cancer on Friday, December 8, 2023. She was 58.

She was born in Dorchester to Mary (Gately) and Michael Duffy and raised in Dorchester. When she was 10 her family moved to Quincy, and she attended Sacred Heart High School. Marie worked as a bus driver for Quincy Public Schools for over 5 years and for Braintree Public Schools for over 10 years.

In her spare time, Marie enjoyed spending time with family. She was proud of her Irish heritage and recently went on a trip with her kids to visit Ireland. At home she enjoyed listening to Irish music, playing cards and spending time with her cat,

## John R. McCarthy, Jr., 93

John R. McCarthy, Jr., age 93, a longtime resident of Quincy, passed away peacefully, Wednesday, Dec. 13, 2023 in the comfort of his home in Eastham, surrounded by his loving family.

John, fondly known as "Bunky", was born in Boston, on Sept. 23, 1930, to the late Johanna R. (Woodford) and John R. McCarthy, Sr. He grew up in a family of eight children and graduated from Dorchester High School, Class of 1948. He joined the Marine Corps just before his seventeenth birthday and served for nearly five years during the Korean conflict, attaining the rank of Sergeant. He returned and graduated from Boston State Teachers College, earned a Master's degree at the University of Massachusetts Boston, and went on to teach for thirty-eight years in Weymouth,



JOHN R. MCCARTHY, JR.

primarily as a high school guidance counselor. Upon retiring from teaching, he was employed by FEMA, responding to many disasters, including 9/11 in New York City and Hurricane Katrina in New Orleans. He was known for his resourcefulness and ingenuity, building by hand his Cape Cod home and two sailboats. His children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren were his pride and joy who cherished his wit and tenacity. As he said at the end, "I hit the jackpot of life." So did we.

Beloved husband for sixty-six years of Margaret M. "Peggy" (Wyse) McCarthy. He was a devoted caregiver to her as her memory has faded.

Devoted father of Maryann Verria and her husband Joe, Robert McCarthy and his wife Susie, Karen McCarthy and her husband Dan

Kowal, John McCarthy and his wife Laura, and Daniel McCarthy and his wife Christi.

Loving grandfather of ten and great grandfather of nine.

He is survived by his sisters, Marylou and Sandra, and was predeceased by Helen, Josephine, Richard, David, and Dennis. John is also survived by many nieces, nephews, and their families.

Visiting hours will be held at the Sweeney Brothers Home for Funerals, 1 Independence Ave, Quincy, on Wednesday, Dec. 20, from 4 - 7 p.m. Relatives and friends are invited to attend. A Funeral Mass will be celebrated in Saint John the Baptist Church, 44 School St., Quincy, on Thursday, Dec. 21, at 10 a.m. Interment, with military honors, to follow at Blue Hill Cemetery, Braintree.

For those who wish, donations in John's memory may be made to the Cape Cod Healthcare Foundation/VNA of Cape Cod Hospice, P.O. Box 370, Hyannis, MA 02601.

You are invited to visit [www.thesweeneybrothers.com](http://www.thesweeneybrothers.com) or call 617-472-6344.

## IN MEMORIAM



BRIAN F. MCNAMEE

DECEMBER 3, 1956 - DECEMBER 23, 2015

Quincy City Councillor - Ward 6

In Loving Memory

On Your Eighth Year Anniversary

We thought of you with love today,  
But that is nothing new.

We thought of you yesterday,  
And days before that, too.

We think of you in silence,  
We often speak your name.

Now all we have is memories,  
And your picture in a frame.

Your memory is our keepsake,  
With which we'll never part.

God has you in his keeping,  
We have you in our hearts.

Lovingly remembered by  
Family & Friends  
We miss you, Brian!

In Loving Memory of

David L. Gray, Sr.



2nd Year Anniversary  
December 21, 2021

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## Peter M. McElroy

Peter M. McElroy, of Westwood, formerly of Dedham, died suddenly at home, Dec. 12, 2023.

Peter adored his family above all else and truly enjoyed the time spent in their company. He was an avid reader, loved travel, and sunrises. He was a master of music trivia and enjoyed all types of artists. Peter was a man of integrity, compassion, grace, and love. He was very proud of the relationships he developed over the years with his legal clients. He will be remembered for his curiosity, sense of humor, intelligence, and so much more.

Beloved husband of 42 years to Sandra (Kuziemski)



**PETER M. MCELROY**

McElroy of Westwood. Loving father of Caitlin McElroy and her husband Jonathan Hall of Oxford, UK, and Elizabeth McElroy of Brighton. Brother of Kathleen McSherry of NY, Karen Wians and her husband William of Walpole, and Paul McElroy and his wife Maureen

of MD. Granda to Theodore and Matai Hall of Oxford, UK. Brother-in-law to Nancy Kuziemski & Scott Simpson of Carlisle. Also survived by many nieces and nephews.

Visiting hours were held Monday at the Keohane Funeral Home, 785 Hancock St., Quincy. A funeral Mass was celebrated Tuesday at St. Ignatius Church on the campus of Boston College, 28 Commonwealth Ave., Chestnut Hill, MA. Burial in Westwood Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, donations in memory of Peter may be made to St. Bonaventure Mission, 25 Navarre Blvd W, Thoreau, NM 87323. (<https://www.stbonaventuremission.org>).

## Quincy Point Congregational Church

The week before Christmas is a wonderful time and can also be a difficult time for some. Here at Quincy Point Congregational Church we want to give everyone a place to be with God especially during the Christmas season.

The Longest Night Service of Healing and Hope is first service of the week held on Thursday, Dec. 21, at 6:15 p.m. in the Baharian Chapel at 444 Washington Street (enter via the doors closest to the bakery). Come pray, sing, reflect, and find some peace.

Then join us in celebrating the "Light of Love" at Quincy Point Congregational Church on Christmas Eve, Dec. 24, during the fourth week of Advent. Two services will be held on this day in the Sanctuary.

The day kicks off with at 10 a.m. service, featuring a delightful "Pop-up Pageant." Later in the evening, at 7 p.m., immerse yourself

in the second time of reflection, complete with carols, lessons, and a magical candlelight atmosphere. Arrive early at 6:30 p.m. to enjoy a concert by Amanda Roberts on violin and Johnathan Roberts on piano.

Both Christmas Eve services will witness the illumination of the Light of Love, with Bob and Joyce Romeri lighting it in the morning and the Cusack and Van Schagen families doing the honors in the evening. You're warmly invited to attend either or both services and embrace the spirit of the "Lights of Christmas" — hope, peace, joy, and love.

Following both times of worship, join us in the downstairs Social Hall for light refreshments and engaging conversations. Your presence will add to the joyous celebration of the coming of Jesus Christ.

We extend our gratitude to everyone who contributed to the success of the Coastal

Christmas Fair. While the fair day was a triumph, sales will continue until certain items are liquidated. All purchases will support the New England Aquarium Sea Turtle Hospital and Interfaith Social Services. Take advantage of slashed prices on pies, candles, and calendars — perfect meaningful holiday gifts. Frozen Apple pies (double or crumb crust) are discounted to \$15 for a 10-inch and \$8 for a 6-inch. Coastal Breeze signature scent fair candles by Triple Decker Candles are now \$20 each, and "Beacons of Light" Lighthouse calendars, highlighting Massachusetts lighthouses, are reduced to \$15 each.

Contact the office at 617-773-6424 or [office@quincypointcong.org](mailto:office@quincypointcong.org) to arrange a pickup. The church accepts cash, checks, and credit, with checks preferred. The QPCC office is open weekdays from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

We want everyone to feel welcome, and our QPCC building is fully accessible via the Abbey Road entrance with designated accessible parking, an elevator, and an "All Access" restroom. If attending in person isn't possible, you can still be part of the worship service by tuning in to the live stream at 10 a.m. on Sunday mornings. Additionally, past live streams are available on the church website ([quincypointcong.org](http://quincypointcong.org)), as well as on the church's Facebook, Vimeo, and YouTube pages.

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## A. Jean Marinelli, 98

A. Jean (Benedetti) Marinelli, age 98, of Quincy and Braintree, passed peacefully into eternal life, Sunday, Dec. 3, 2023 at the Royal Wayland Nursing Home, in the comfort of her loving family.

Jean was born in Quincy to the late John and Rita M. (Ciardelli) Benedetti, both immigrants from Italy. Raised and educated in Quincy, she was a graduate of Quincy High School, Class of 1943, and the former Quincy City Hospital School of Nursing in 1946. She lived in Quincy for the past twenty-six years, previously in Braintree for forty-five years.

During World War II, she had trained as a nurse cadet in WAVES (Women Accepted for Voluntary Emergency Service) before beginning her nursing career at the Bellevue Hospital in New York City's Bowery section. Jean was a dedicated registered nurse, working as a City of Quincy visiting nurse in the Merrymount area of Quincy. She later worked as a nursing supervisor at the former Long Island Hospital in Boston Harbor and at the John Scott Nursing Home in Braintree.



**A. JEAN MARINELLI**

Jean enjoyed her time and friendships at 1000 Southern Artery, where she was well-known for her nursing skills and for participating in senior blood pressure clinics and volunteering at the former Quincy Hospital.

A woman of great faith, Jean was a longtime active parishioner and daily communicant of Saint Francis of Assisi Parish in Braintree. Over the years, she served in various capacities and was involved in the early days of Saint Francis Elementary School.

Most of all, Jean loved spending time with and was devoted to her family. She was a source of joy, kindness, comfort, wisdom, and faith to those who were fortunate to know her.

tunate to know her.

Beloved wife for fifty years of the late Frank V. Marinelli, having married on Valentine's Day, Feb. 14, 1948 in Saint John the Baptist Church in Quincy.

Devoted mother of Frank A. Marinelli, Esq. and his family of Braintree, Peter S. Marinelli, Esq. and his family of Wrentham, and the late John P. Marinelli.

Loving grandmother of three grandsons and one great granddaughter.

The last of three siblings, Jean was predeceased by her dear sisters, F. Marie Benedetti and Louise E. Logan.

Visiting hours were held at the Sweeney Brothers Home for Funerals, 1 Independence Ave., Quincy, on Sunday, Dec. 10. A Funeral Mass was celebrated in Saint John the Baptist Church, 44 School St., Quincy, on Monday, Dec. 11. Interment followed at Mount Wollaston Cemetery, Quincy.

In lieu of flowers, donations in Jean's memory may be made to Brighton Hospice, 1234 Chestnut St., Suite 101, Newton, MA 02464.

You are invited to visit [www.thesweeneybrothers.com](http://www.thesweeneybrothers.com) or call 617-472-6344.

## Shawn Achorn, 45

Shawn Achorn, born in Weymouth, MA passed away unexpectedly on Dec. 4, 2023 at the age of 45.

Shawn attended Braintree High School graduating in 1997 and moved to Weymouth and eventually moved to Mashpee to help his Uncle Bill and his Partner Pete run 'The Coffee Table Café' in New Seabury/Popponesset Cape Cod. Shawn always gave help where it was needed. He took care of his grandmother and Uncle while they were sick and always made their days brighter.

Shawn was a generous, giving, caring and thoughtful person. He had so much love in his heart.

Shawn loved his friends especially the Devlin family where he most recently worked at Devlin Energy. His family and his cat, Binx was his life and livelihood. His most enjoyable time was spending time with his nieces and nephew playing video games and watching movies. Shawn was laid back and not worried about little things and reminded other to do the same. His passion was playing hockey and watching the Boston Bruins.

Shawn was loved by many and is survived by his mother and father Susan and Jim McGinley of Quincy, sister Jennifer Kelly Contrino and her husband Michael Contrino and their

three children (AAA) Adriana, Andrew and Ava all of North Carolina.

He was the best uncle, son, grandson, and nephew that anyone could ask for and he will be missed dearly. Son, Brother, Uncle Shawn, may you continue your journey

and we will keep you in our daily thoughts and prayers "WE LOVE YOU".

Visiting hours and a Funeral Service were held Saturday, Dec. 16, at the Peck Funeral Home, 516 Washington St. in Braintree.

## In Memoriam



**Brian F. McNamee**

12/03/1956 – 12/23/2015

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*Patriot Ledger editorial - April 2009*

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**More Obituaries  
On Page 38 and online  
at  
TheQuincySun.com**



By State Sen. JOHN KEENAN  
SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET

Each year, to close out the previous fiscal year, the Legislature passes a supplemental budget that balances all accounts and allocates remaining available funds.

The fiscal year 2023 closeout supplemental budget was delayed but ultimately passed by the Legislature and signed into law by Gov. Maura Healey on Dec. 4. While getting here took too long – more on that in the next section – this legislation represents \$3.1 billion in much needed investments in our Commonwealth.

Among the highlights are a \$250 million appropriation for emergency housing for residents at risk and migrants, as well as reimbursements for unanticipated costs incurred by school districts due to the nation's ongoing migrant crisis. Additionally, the budget includes \$15 million to help communities with the costs of responding to recent climate-related disasters, \$75 million for school districts experiencing special education tuition rate changes, and \$100 million to address the pension liability from the 2015 Early Retirement Incentive Program.

I am especially pleased that this bill features the \$378 million needed to fund all ratified Collective Bargaining Agreements with state workers. These agreements account for pay raises affecting roughly 100,000 individuals, including teachers, social service providers, healthcare providers, and so many other valuable public servants.

BUDGET DELAYS

All government action should be taken with a sense of timeliness, transparency, and sensitivity to the circumstances of all involved. This is especially true for the supplemental budget, which accounts for much needed pay increases for so many families this holiday season.

Unfortunately, differences between the Senate and House versions of the bill regarding Gov. Healey's ability to expend emergency shelter funding created a several week delay in reconciling a final version of the bill.

The delay proved especially frustrating because so many contractual pay raises were left in limbo. On November 17, I submitted a letter to the conference committee asking its members to separate the contracts from the rest of the supplemental budget, so they could be approved on their own. Additionally, I also requested that funding for school districts impacted by special education tuition rate increases, and extensions on local appropriations, be separated and ap-

Legislative Update

proved as well.

I had hoped these actions would have taken place prior to Thanksgiving but am glad we were finally able to reach an agreement.

LEGISLATION

One bill I haven't discussed in previous newsletters got its moment in the spotlight last month.

The Joint Committee on Municipalities and Regional Government recently accepted testimony on S.1300, An Act relative to the term of special permits, which would amend existing state law to allow up to three years for action to occur on a special permit. Currently, the Commonwealth allows municipalities to set this standard, creating a patchwork of regulations that can make construction projects hard to plan and complete, a situation exacerbated by ongoing supply chain issues in the global economy. By creating a state-wide three-year allowance, approved projects would have ample time to proceed to completion. With the severe shortage of housing, it is critical that approved and permitted projects be given this flexibility.

Over the last few weeks, I have had some interesting conversations with members of the media regarding some of my priority policy issues, including revenge pornography. I met with The Boston Globe to discuss my interactions with the family of a young revenge porn survivor and how my bill criminalizing this offense would impact future cases.

Additionally, I sat down for a TV interview with WCVB to discuss the scope of public health impacts in Massachusetts associated with gambling, particularly sports betting. As you may know, I have been working on this issue since filing a bill in January to regulate advertisements for sports betting, but the broader health issues of gambling addiction also greatly concern me. Much like controlled substances, gambling is something people can so easily become addicted to, but we have so few resources to address it. The problem is made that much greater by the fact that we have now made gambling in Massachusetts more accessible than ever without having sufficiently addressed addiction treatment.

IN THE DISTRICT

The holiday season is once again upon us! While Thanksgiving and Christmas typically receive the most attention this time of year, the events related to Veterans Day took up

the most space on my calendar this November.

I made my annual trips to events like the veterans' breakfast in Abington, the ceremony at the Island of Flags, and the parade in Quincy, where I enjoyed speaking with active and retired service members of all ages. Perhaps my favorite of these annual traditions is the conversations Brintree High School organizes for its students. Each year, veterans visit Brintree classrooms to share their experiences and answer any questions students may ask. I always like to be present for these to hear what students are curious about and to see people from different walks of life coming together to learn more about each other.

Along with a few staff members, I spent a day recently driving through the district to deliver care packages prepared by the Massachusetts Military Support Foundation. The Coats4Vets program seeks to provide winter clothing and other essentials to veterans in need, and care packages for local beneficiaries are available at veterans services offices throughout the district.

JUST A QUICK STORY

For the first time in a long while, I am starting to feel a little optimistic about the T.

In a recent meeting with MBTA General Manager Phillip Eng and other T administrative staff, I asked about the scope of the work needed to get our public transit network operating at an efficient level. The answer – not surprisingly – was "a lot." Multiple sections of the subway system will need to be shut down for track repairs. There is still so much to be done in terms of delivering new train cars. And we are still finding issues in stations that need to be addressed.

For so long, problems have just sprung up, seemingly at random. A shutdown or a delay would unexpectedly occur and would not be followed by an explanation. Timelines would remain vague. Information was not regularly shared.

I am pleased to see that travel times on the Red Line have returned almost to what they were before the imposition of slow zones and applaud how the MBTA is communicating with the public.

While a great deal of work remains, the T is now explaining why projects are needed, sharing realistic deadlines for completion of projects, and revealing cost estimates. I am encouraged that MBTA leadership has stopped hiding problems and started trying to fix them in a more disciplined fashion.

In the meantime, I will continue to post updates on service changes and work scheduling to my social media accounts.

Quincy Boys' Basketball  
Bows To Plymouth South

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halftime with a 31-24 advantage.

A three-pointer just over a minute into the quarter tied the game at 18 apiece, and while a steal and fast break layup from Aguayo just over three minutes into the quarter and a layup from Tarjali shortly after gave the team its lead back, it would not last. Plymouth South tied things up with a skyhook and two free throws. A layup from Danny Adams (20 points) gave the Presidents the lead back, but Plymouth South shined in the final 90 seconds of the quarter, outscoring its foe 9-0.

With 1:20 left in the first half, Plymouth South hit a three-pointer. The team also had a three-point play, a layup, and a free throw, less than a minute later. As time expired to end the first half, the team had a buzzer-beating three-pointer shot further away than a typical three-point try.

The Presidents went into halftime trailing, which meant they had to play the second half from behind.

Although the Presidents put up 15 points, the third quarter was a near stalemate between the two teams. Adams heated up for the Presi-

dents, scoring 12 points, including six from the free-throw line, Plymouth South effectively kept pace. Plymouth South scored 14 points over those eight minutes; this included a free-throw with 0.4 seconds left in the quarter to make it a 45-39 game. The free throw came after Adams made it a five-point game with a steal he turned into a fast break layup.

While the Presidents entered the fourth quarter within striking distance of their opponent, they were unable to make a comeback.

Plymouth South's offense was hot in the fourth quarter, scoring 22 points; this allowed the team to extend its lead from six points to 14.

Plymouth South started the quarter off with back-to-back three-pointers in the first couple of minutes

as it extended the lead. Although Adams continued to shine offensively, putting up six points, Plymouth South remained sharp from the outside. The team hit four three-pointers in the final quarter, helping it protect its lead. Plymouth South won the game 67-53.

The Presidents have a new head coach this season: Matt Ramponi. He coached the North Quincy High girls' basketball team to a 24-1 finish during the 2021-2022 season but took the 2022-2023 season off for family reasons. He takes over for Dave Parry as the Presidents boys' basketball head coach; Ramponi previously served as an assistant coach to Parry for over a decade.

The Presidents will host the Malden Golden Tornadoes Friday, Dec. 22 at 6:30 p.m.

Xhoana Cuni Receives  
Collaboration Recognition Award

Xhoana Cuni of Quincy was selected as the best person to work with in their Topics in Crime and Public Policy course, taught by Professor Wallace at Lasell University for the fall semester.

Recipients of the Collab-

oration Recognition Award are selected by their peers for exemplifying superior skills in collaboration by sharing ideas and useful information, communicating in a professional manner, and cooperating in a way to ensure success.

Q-NQ Winter Track Results

| MSTCA Speed Classic 12/17/2023 Reggie Lewis Center |              |     |          |          |       |             |         |
|----------------------------------------------------|--------------|-----|----------|----------|-------|-------------|---------|
| First                                              | Last         | Gen | Event    | Perf     | Place | Competitors | comment |
| Sofija                                             | Slezas       | F   | 300m     | 45.12    | 13    | 175         | SR      |
| Piper                                              | Henderson    | F   | 300m     | 50.64    | 92    | 175         | PR      |
| Marielle                                           | Kouassi      | F   | 55m      | 8.45     | 60    | 183         | PR      |
| Aubrey                                             | Callard      | F   | 55m      | 8.56     | 75    | 183         | PR      |
| Livia                                              | Fantin       | F   | 55m      | 8.85     | 109   | 183         | PR      |
| Sophia                                             | Edwards      | F   | 55mHH    | 10.61    | 26    | 59          |         |
| Eliza                                              | Henry        | F   | 55mHH    | 10.78    | 33    | 59          | SR      |
| Amy                                                | Tan          | F   | 55mHH    | 11.15    | 43    | 59          | SR      |
| Maddy                                              | McGillicuddy | F   | 600m     | 1:40.13  | 2     | 98          | PR      |
| Salma                                              | Bouktham     | F   | 600m     | 1:41.76  | 5     | 98          | SR      |
| Zoe                                                | Nelson       | F   | 600m     | 1:56.61  | 38    | 98          | PR      |
| Amelija                                            | Slezas       | F   | 600m     | 1:57.12  | 40    | 98          | PR      |
| Eliza                                              | Henry        | F   | Longjump | 14'02"   | 17    | 24          | PR      |
| Leo                                                | Steinberg    | M   | 55m      | 7.08     | 46    | 219         | PR      |
| Jordan                                             | Leathers     | M   | 55m      | 7.21     | 70    | 219         | PR      |
| Adrian                                             | Pena         | M   | 55m      | 7.45     | 106   | 219         | PR      |
| Gavin                                              | Brown        | M   | 55m      | 7.46     | 114   | 219         | PR      |
| William                                            | Lanergan     | M   | 55m      | 7.61     | 142   | 219         |         |
| Eddy                                               | Liu          | M   | 55m      | 7.97     | 187   | 219         |         |
| Quadir                                             | Essex        | M   | 55m      | 8.08     | 192   | 219         |         |
| Jayden                                             | Francois     | M   | 55mHH    | 8.15     | 5     | 47          |         |
| Adrian                                             | Pena         | M   | 55mHH    | 10.66    | 38    | 47          |         |
| Quadir                                             | Essex        | M   | 55mHH    | 12.05    | 43    | 47          |         |
| Jordan                                             | Leathers     | M   | 55mHH    | 12.18    | 44    | 47          |         |
| Jonathan                                           | Cole         | M   | 55mHH    | 12.47    | 46    | 47          |         |
| Jayden                                             | Anderson     | M   | 600m     | 1:37.75  | 40    | 85          |         |
| Warrick                                            | Quon         | M   | 600m     | 1:46.06  | 61    | 85          | PR      |
| Jayden                                             | Zhong        | M   | 600m     | 1:48.48  | 70    | 85          | PR      |
| Leo                                                | Steinberg    | M   | Longjump | 17'08.5" | 20    | 29          |         |
| Jayden                                             | Francois     | M   | Longjump | 19'6.5"  | 8     | 29          |         |

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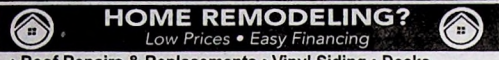
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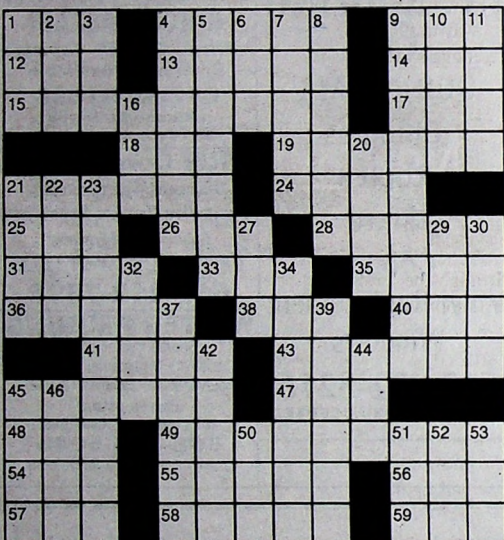
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# SUN FUN PAGES

## King Crossword

- ACROSS**
- 1 TiVo precursor  
4 Wide  
9 America's uncle  
12 Consume  
13 Heart line  
14 La-la lead-in  
15 Gym machine  
17 And so on (Abbr.)  
18 Nabokov novel  
19 Bowling lanes  
21 Packs tightly  
24 Go yachting  
25 Yale grad  
26 Author Umberto  
28 Aegean island  
31 Building wings  
33 Farm female  
35 Steakhouse order  
36 Rice recipe  
38 PC key  
40 Chaney of horror films  
41 First lady of scat
- DOWN**
- 1 Animal doc  
2 Train unit  
3 Hwy.  
4 Villain  
5 Woo  
6 "... — quit!"  
7 World record?  
8 Texas city  
9 Sheet metal producer  
10 Bohemian  
11 Apple computers  
16 Small batteries  
20 Tale teller
- 43 Bistro furniture  
45 Telepathic  
47 Sushi choice  
48 Hostel  
49 Heavy burden  
54 Memo letters  
55 Deadly virus  
56 Schlep  
57 Air safety org.  
58 Philly hoopster  
59 Director Lee
- 21 Army transport  
22 "That's — need to know"  
23 1,000-year spans  
27 Have debts  
29 Bassoon's kin  
30 Taxpayer IDs  
32 Pretzel topper  
34 Getty of "The Golden Girls"  
37 Fireplace flickers  
39 Salad type  
42 Suspect's excuse  
44 Crunchy sandwich  
45 Peeve  
46 "May It Be" singer  
50 Bagel topper  
51 Slangy suffix  
52 Sister  
53 Silly Putty container



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## MAGIC MAZE ● — POWER

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Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions forward, backward, up, down and diagonally  
Unlisted clue hint: YOUR TRUSTY STEED

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| Atomic        | Magical   | Rocket  | Super |
| Balance of    | Nuclear   | Solar   | Will  |
| Flower        | People in | Star    | World |
| Hydroelectric | Pulling   | Staying |       |

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## HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Ear flap is moved. 2. Collar is smaller. 3. Tree is smaller. 4. Arm is moved. 5. Wreath is missing. 6. Snowfall of snow is smaller.

## Trivia test

by Fifi Rodriguez

1. FOOD & DRINK: What is ciabatta?
2. TELEVISION: What is the name of the 1980s cop drama series starring actor William Shatner?
3. HISTORY: In which year did the Gulf oil spill occur?
4. LITERATURE: Who wrote the classic holiday novella "The Cricket on the Hearth"?
5. INVENTIONS: Who invented penicillin?
6. GEOGRAPHY: Monaco is bordered on three sides by which European country?
7. U.S. STATES: Which

state's nickname is "The Land of Enchantment"?

8. MOVIES: What is the name of the police chief in the movie "Jaws"?

9. GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: What does the J.D. stand for in a law degree?

10. MUSIC: Which singer had a breakout hit with "I Kissed a Girl"?

### Answers

1. An Italian bread.
2. "T.J. Hooker."
3. 2010.
4. Charles Dickens.
5. Alexander Fleming.
6. France.
7. New Mexico.
8. Martin Brody.
9. Juris Doctor.
10. Katy Perry.

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## Salome's Stars

**ARIES** (March 21 to April 19) The holidays allow you to let your usually downplayed soft side really glow. Don't be surprised to find a Scorpio looking to share the light.

**TAURUS** (April 20 to May 20) Dress up in your party best and enjoy the compliments that come your way. You'll have a great time reconnecting with old friends and making new ones.

**GEMINI** (May 21 to June 20) Holiday galas give you many chances to do what you're so good at -- namely, being the life of the party. Indulge yourself in the good times. You earned it!

**CANCER** (June 21 to July 22) Get out and experience the holiday fun. And remember, while you're a traditionalist with most things, open your mind to how others like to celebrate.

**LEO** (July 23 to August 22) This is a good time to fill the family den with the love and warmth that you lucky Leos and Leonas exude. Invite friends to share in your happy celebrations.

**VIRGO** (August 23 to September 22) Indulge yourself in the holiday festivities with family and friends, and forget about those small details that often keep you from enjoying the moment to its maximum.

**LIBRA** (September 23 to October 22) The holiday season brings family and friends together to help you

repair a very special relationship that recently underwent a serious test of commitment.

**SCORPIO** (October 23 to November 21) Set aside those workaday woes, and enjoy the holidays with family and friends. You'll learn soon enough the cause behind those workplace problems.

**SAGITTARIUS** (November 22 to December 21) Aim for a happy, festive time with family and friends. Reach out to friends from the past and restore or reconnect those once-strong ties.

**CAPRICORN** (December 22 to January 19) A family member pays you a surprise visit to help you celebrate the holidays. Meanwhile, that workplace problem is closer to getting resolved.

**AQUARIUS** (January 20 to February 18) Your holiday plans are working out as you had hoped they would. Congratulations! Also, expect news about a long-needed change in the workplace.

**PISCES** (February 19 to March 20) Your holiday plans could suddenly change, but rest assured, it's for the better. Be ready to go with the flow and accept the unexpected.

**BORN THIS WEEK:** You aim high, and you aim true. You are a good friend whose loyalty can be relied upon.

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## CryptoQuip

This is a simple substitution cipher in which each letter used stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Solution is accomplished by trial and error.

Clue: I equals S

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AMSDBIM GLMHY VNYT HI BIBDOOJ  
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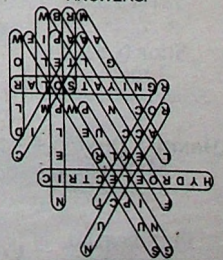
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## King Crossword — Answers

Solution time: 22 mins.



## Magic Maze ANSWERS:



## CryptoQuip answer

Why are most folks who annotate books insignificant? Because their work is usually marginal.



# HOLLYWOOD

by Tony Rizzo

**HOLLYWOOD** — Legendary actor and director Clint Eastwood (93 years young) is directing his 41st film, "Juror No. 2," which is about a murder trial juror realizing that he's at fault for the victim's death. It stars Nicholas Hoult, Toni Collette, Kiefer Sutherland, Leslie Bibb and Chris Messina.

I first met Clint at a CBS press reveal for his show "Rawhide" in 1959. In 1964, I ran into him at his New York hotel, and he was worried that a Western he'd just made in Italy would flop here because he didn't utter one word of dialogue. I assured him that with his good looks, he didn't need dialogue, and "A Fistful of Dollars" was a smash hit.

In 1968, when Carol Channing won a Golden Globe, she entered the press room saying, "This is my first award for my very first film!" "But Miss Channing," I said, "your first film was 'The First Traveling Saleslady' with Ginger Rogers!" At first, she asked, "Where is his badge? Does he belong here?" Then she continued, "Well, RKO went out of business and couldn't release it!" "But I saw it on TV last week," I assured her. "Is he still here? Where is his badge?" She proclaimed. "Well, actually, my leading man in that is the No. 1 box-office star today...Clint Eastwood!"

Rob Reiner is reviving his 1984 classic "This Is Spinal Tap," with Christopher Guest, Michael McKean,

Harry Shearer and Reiner himself returning. In 2016, Shearer sued StudioCanal and Vivendi for \$125 million due to a breach of contract, asserting that he and other co-stars only received \$179 for the sales of merchandise and music over three decades.

In 2018, Guest, McKean and Reiner joined the lawsuit, increasing it to \$400 million in damages. The two studios tried to get the case dismissed, but a judge ruled that they could pursue the fraud claim against Vivendi. In 2019, the music rights were returned to Shearer, Guest and McKean, and in 2020, a settlement was reached for an undisclosed amount. With that settled, no wonder it took until this year to get the ball rolling on the sequel.

Four-time Emmy-winning actor/producer/writer/director Dan Levy ("Schitt's Creek") co-starred in Disney's "Haunted Mansion" and is now producing/directing/writing/starring in Netflix's "Good Grief," with Ruth Negga, Himesh Patel and Luke Evans. It shoots in London and follows a man struggling with the deaths of his husband and mother. He travels to Paris with his two best friends for a weekend getaway.

Levy, at 40, just received the second-highest honor in Canada by being named a Member of the Order of Canada. From motel grief in "Schitt's Creek" to "Good Grief"...oh my lord!

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## GO FIGURE! by Linda Thistle

The idea of Go Figure is to arrive at the figures given at the bottom and right-hand columns of the diagram by following the arithmetic signs in the order they are given (that is, from left to right and top to bottom). Use only the numbers below the diagram to complete its blank squares and use each of the nine numbers only once.

DIFFICULTY: ★★

★ Moderate ★★ Difficult  
★★★ GO FIGURE!

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| ÷ |   | - |   | ÷ |    |
|   | × |   | - |   | 13 |
| 5 |   | 7 |   | 4 |    |

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## KOVELS Antiques & Collecting

By Terry and Kim Kovel

**Utilitarian Art** — Collectors know that the line between artistic and utilitarian objects is not always clearly drawn. This large, glazed earthenware plate with two stylized faces in profile sold at a Rago auction for \$3,120. At that price, it's more likely to go on display than on the dinner table!

The plate was designed by Viktor Schreckengost for Cowan Pottery in Rocky River, Ohio. Schreckengost worked for Cowan in 1930 until the pottery closed in 1931. He designed Cowan's famous Jazz Bowl with blue and black art deco designs that create a stylized New York cityscape. The Jazz Bowl is an art piece, but Schreckengost created plenty of practical and utilitarian items, too. He designed dinnerware for Limoges China Company, Salem China Company, Onondaga Pottery and others. Beyond ceramics, he designed chairs, vehicles, toy pedal cars, oscillating fans, radar-for pilots and more.

**Q: I have my late grandfather's old trumpet. It's engraved "Emperor, Made by Boosey & Hawkes, London, Made in England." Where can I get someone to tell me what it is worth?**

**A:** Boosey & Hawkes started in 1930 when Boosey & Company and Hawkes & Son merged. Both companies made musical instruments and were music publishers. Boosey & Hawkes made musical instruments until 2003, when it sold that part of its business to The Music Group. The company still publishes music. The value of the trumpet depends on the desirability

of the instrument, the type of metal, tone quality and condition. Take the trumpet to a music store that sells used musical instruments to see if they can give you a value. If you intend to sell the trumpet, it's a good idea to take it to more than one music store to get the value. Remember, they will offer you less than what they can sell it for since they need to make a profit.

**TIP:** Old clocks should be oiled every four to six years and cleaned every six to eight months.

### CURRENT PRICES

- Toy, cement mixer, metal, bright yellow, red slide, green wheels, crank with rope lowers chute, decal, Buddy "L," 8 inches, \$150.
- Lamp, pendant, Symfoni Origami style, black and white sheet iron diamonds, Preben Dal for Hans Folsgaard, Model P-018, labeled "Made in Denmark," 14 x 15 inches, \$515.
- Marblehead pottery vase, etched stylized flowers and stems, blue glaze, tapered, flared rim, marked "MP" with ship symbol, c. 1915, 3 3/4 x 4 1/2 inches, \$1,060.
- Jewelry, pin, reverse painted glass, fox's head, yellow gold spiral frame, glazed compartment on reverse, Victorian, 1 7/8 inches, \$1,500.
- Candy container, football player, composition, painted features, jointed arms, cloth jersey and quilted pants, black boots, holds original football, 19 inches, \$4,300.

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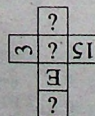
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## STICKELERS by Terry Stickels

Below are three views of the same cube.



If you were to unfold the cube and lay it flat on a table, how would the remaining faces appear on the layout below?



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## Strange BUT TRUE

- We should all be so lucky as to have vision like that of the mantis shrimp: Not only do its eyes possess four times as many color receptors as a human's, it can see UV, visible and polarized light as well.
- The rise in global temperatures has led to flowers emitting less scent.
- Lightning hasn't brought down an airplane since 1963, thanks to engineering that allows a bolt's electric charge to run through and out of the aircraft.
- Spinraza, a drug prescribed for spinal muscular dystrophy, has a list price of \$750,000.
- By 2018, more than 100 people living in the U.S. owed at least \$1 million in federal student loans.
- A one-euro breakfast featured at an IKEA store in the Netherlands proved so popular that it had to be canceled after it attracted too many customers and even led to highway traffic jams.
- Kellogg's All-Bran cereal

is actually 87% bran.

- Heading for the gym in the new year? Be sure to take some hand sanitizer! A report found that a typical gym's free weights boast 362 times as much bacteria as a toilet seat.
- During the Cold War, President Ronald Reagan and Soviet Premier Mikhail Gorbachev agreed to put aside their political differences if Earth was ever invaded by aliens from outer space.
- Nicaraguan Catholics who abstain from meat during Lent include iguanas and armadillos in their diet.
- In 1978, Equatorial Guinea's President Francisco Macias Nguema, widely considered one of history's most brutal, possibly even insane dictators, tempted fate by changing his country's national motto to "There is no other God than Macias Nguema."
- More than four tons of old American paper money is mulched into compost every day.

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**Thought for the Day:** "Your life is your story. Write well. Edit often." — Lisa Nichols

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## Now here's a tip!

by Jo Ann Derson

- It might be hard to get or stay motivated for exercise once we've dipped into shortened days and lower temperatures. Exercise is so important to your health, so get it any way you can. Did you know that a half-hour snowball fight can burn 100 calories? Get out there and enjoy the winter weather! — JoAnn
- If you frequently face snow in your area, invest in a pair of running shoes that are designed for trail running. They have deeper cleats for better traction. Some are even waterproof. This will encourage you to run when it's been snowing!
- "To help your sneakers dry faster, remove the laces and sock liner and hang separately. Stuff them with newspaper to draw out moisture. Hang them to dry on a sturdy hook or line, but not too close to a heater, as

it's possible to break down the support materials that way." — E.D. in Minnesota

- "If you are outdoors on freezing days, you know to dress in layers. When you exercise outside, you do that too, but be prepared to strip off a layer if you get overheated. I have a carabiner clip on my waistband, and I can clip my outer light jacket to it, or even my fleece, through a button hole." — P.S. in Virginia

- "Here's a tip about sledding in a pinch: A laundry basket can make a fine sled for a small, sturdy kid, especially if you are blessed with surprised snow! If you attach a rope or belt to one side of the basket, it's easy to pull the kids along." — M.B. in Missouri

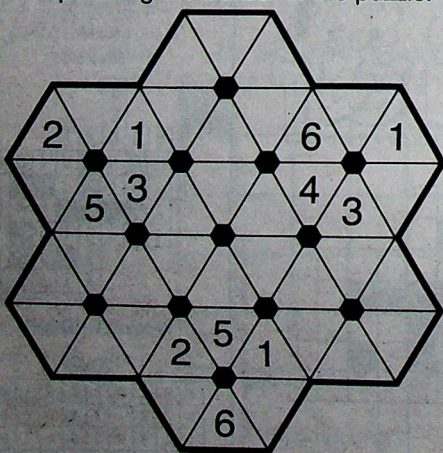
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## SNOWFLAKES

by Japheth Light

There are 13 black hexagons in the puzzle. Place the numbers 1 - 6 around each of them. No number can be repeated in any partial hexagon shape along the border of the puzzle.



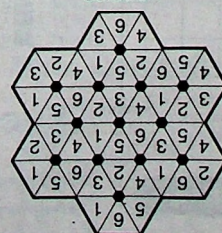
DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆◆◆

◆ Easy ◆◆ Medium ◆◆◆ Difficult

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## SNOWFLAKES

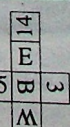
solution



Stickelers Answer

## Go Figure! answers

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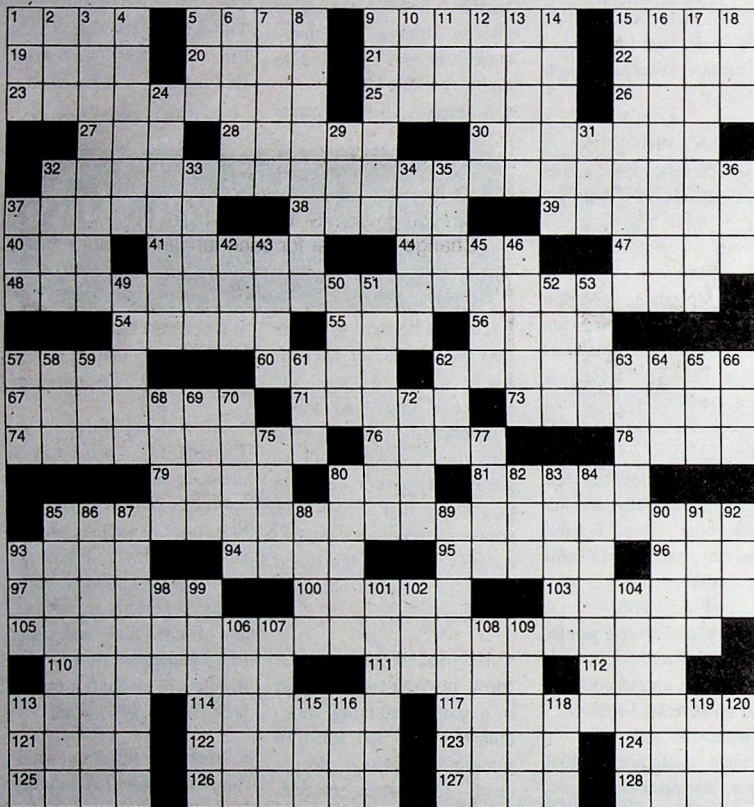




# Super Crossword

MAKING 20  
OUT OF 9

- ACROSS**
- Pueblo dweller
  - Sound of an "air kiss"
  - Forensic facility in Quantico, for short
  - Gig hookups
  - Refined finds
  - Civil rights leader Parks
  - In an uncivil way
  - Lawn mower brand
  - Parts of wholes
  - Key related to G major
  - "Jurassic Park" dino
  - "Billions" channel, in brief
  - Some boxing blows
  - Horn blowers
  - Person whose name consists entirely of the letters in 23-Across
  - Los Angeles neighborhood
  - "I knew — along!"
  - Old Nissan brand
  - Stephen of "Angie"
  - Humongous
  - Foot, in verse
  - Tattered
  - Novel whose name consists entirely of the letters in 62-Across
  - Others, in Oviedo
  - Last letter, in Leeds
  - Trig function
  - Arab nation
  - Titanic sinker
  - Didn't type or text, perhaps
  - Relating to an eye layer
  - Corn, to a Brit
  - Neighbor of Latvia
  - Relatives of terraces
  - Silent performer
  - Consumer 79 Coup d—
  - Attain
  - Exit
  - Film whose name consists entirely of the letters in 74-Across
  - Verve
  - Words of woe
  - Desert haven
  - Sch. founded by Thomas Jefferson
  - December mail temps
  - Consumer
  - Very talented
  - Setups whose name consists entirely of the letters in 117-Across
  - Lindsay of "Liz & Dick"
  - Be in debt to
  - Imp Simpson
  - Throat tissue
  - Lawbreaker
  - fixe
  - Menu offering
  - In — (stuck)
  - Lasting mark
  - Betting info
  - "Mad" Carroll character
  - Some votes in Congress
  - Those folks
  - Bobby in 'the Hockey 1-Down
  - Leguminous side dish
  - Low pelvic bones
  - Hosp. test in a big tube
  - "Mrs. Dalloway" novelist
  - Ed of "Lou Grant"
  - Is trustful
  - Citrusy diet soft drink
  - Idling type
  - Cruel Amin
  - Slower than andante
  - Socially distant
  - Strong-arm
  - Boston Red —
  - This evening
  - Building-blasting stuff
  - Bag-screening org.
  - Gotten sight of
  - Attempter
  - Fibber's admission
  - Cabbage side dish
  - Little hotel
  - Playtex item
  - "Ugly Betty" actress Ortiz
  - Crash-probing agcy.
  - Little plateau
  - Pickle liquid
  - Bubbly mixer
  - Blogging pundit Klein
  - Prescribed diet, say
  - Finishes up
  - Swamp wriggler
  - Round body
  - "Call — taxi"
  - Ocean east of Mass.
  - Init. on an ambulance
  - Tailor's edge
  - City on the Seine
  - Put — (jokey pranks)
  - Knot up
  - Part of a jug
  - Yuletide song
  - Opposer
  - Climbing vine
  - Rigatoni's kin
  - Ingrain
  - Filmdom's Kazan
  - Shimmer
  - Golfer Emie
  - Even up
  - Out-of-towner
  - "Shane" star
  - Teased one another playfully
  - International alliances
  - Harbinger
  - Medieval
  - Group's activity in the community
  - Crooner Burl
  - Frowny-faced
  - Suffix with Vietnam
  - Aesthetic interest
  - Sewing unit
  - Bank job
  - "Neroli" musician Brian
  - Least
  - Maui greeting
  - Contrarian's retort
  - Nile capital
  - Come next
  - Short history
  - Park oneself
  - Cooler cubes
  - Divs. of dollars
  - Scot's turnaround
  - Give it a whirl



## celebrity extra

by Dana Jackson

**Q: I was sorry to hear about the death of Ryan O'Neal. "Paper Moon" is one of my all-time favorite movies. How is his daughter Tatum doing? — H.G.**

**A:** Tatum O'Neal wrote in her 2004 autobiography, "A Paper Life," that she and her father did not speak for two decades. According to Entertainment Weekly, they started to repair their relationship in the months before his longtime love, Farrah Fawcett, died after her cancer battle in 2009. The father and daughter duo, who starred in the classic film "Paper Moon," reunited on-screen in 2011 for their own reality show, "Ryan & Tatum: The O'Neals." Their bond continued to grow until his passing on Dec. 8 at the age of 82. In a statement to People magazine, Tatum stated that her dad "meant the world to me...I'll miss him forever, and I feel very lucky that we ended on such good terms."

**Q: I know most of the new shows are starting later this season, but when is my favorite, "Station 19," returning? — K.L.**

**A:** "Station 19" is a spin-off

of "Grey's Anatomy," one of the longest-lasting drama series ever, but unfortunately "Station's" time is coming to an end, as ABC recently announced that the upcoming seventh season will be its last. The show boasts six cast members who have been there since the beginning — Jaina Lee Ortiz (Andy), Jason George (Ben), Grey Damon (Jack), Barrett Doss (Vic), Jay Hayden (Travis) and Danielle Savre (Maya). Due to the writers' and actors' strikes in Hollywood, which have fortunately ended, the fall TV season was pushed to 2024 and will air much fewer episodes. "Station 19" will premiere its final season on March 14 at 10 p.m. ET., the first of just 10 episodes.

**Q: What happened to the show "Big Sky"? A friend told me it was canceled. This surprises me. I thought it was great and was looking forward to more. — B.F.**

**A:** "Big Sky" was a very promising series created by David E. Kelley. If that name sounds familiar, it's because Kelley has created and/or produced many highly successful shows like "L.A. Law," "Ally McBeal," "The Practice," "Big Little Lies" and "The Lincoln Lawyer." In between these notable hits have been some misses ("Big Shot" for one). "Big Sky," however, probably sits somewhere in the middle. It lasted only three seasons, but



Ryan and Tatum O'Neal in "Paper Moon" (1973)

Depositphotos

with its beautiful scenery (set in Montana) and compelling storyline, it seemed to have the makings of a hit. It starred Kathryn Winnick ("Vikings"), Kylie Bunbury ("Pitch") and Dedee Pfeiffer ("Cybill"). Pfeiffer is actually the sister of Kelley's wife, actress Michelle Pfeiffer. When the show wasn't generating its desired ratings, the name of it was changed to "Big Sky: Deadly Trails," and two stars were added to the cast — Reba McEntire ("The Voice") and Jensen Ackles ("Supernatural"). Alas, it wasn't enough, and the series was canceled back in May.

Send me your questions at NewCelebrityExtra@gmail.com, or write me at KFWS, 628 Virginia Drive, Orlando, FL 32803.

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## Even Exchange by Donna Pettman

Each numbered row contains two clues and two 6-letter answers. The two answers differ from each other by only one letter, which has already been inserted. For example, if you exchange the A from MASTER for an I, you get MISTER. Do not change the order of the letters.

- Canoe oar — A — — — — Small pool of water — U — — — —
- Runner's pathway — — — — K — — — — Vanish without a — — — — E — — — —
- Judge's workplace — — — — R — — — — Dracula's title — — — — N — — — —
- L.A. ballplayer — — — — D — — — — Hotel guest — — — — L — — — —
- Make amends — — — — T — — — — By oneself — — — — L — — — —
- On the — — hand — — — — H — — — — Playful mammal — — — — T — — — —
- Fast trot — — — — — — P — — — — 4 quarts — — — — — — N — — — —
- Burst of light — — — — — — H — — — — Small canteen — — — — — — K — — — —
- Fry lightly — — — — — — T — — — — Gravy — — — — — — C — — — —
- Reykjavik's country — — — — C — — — — Land of shamrocks — — — — R — — — —

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## Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle



Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦

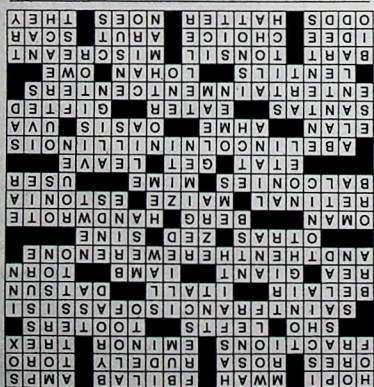
♦ Moderate ♦♦ Challenging

♦♦♦ HOO BOY!

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## Super Crossword

Answers



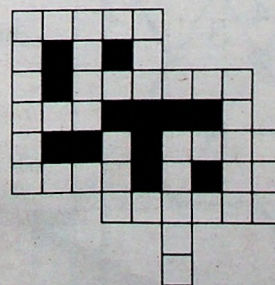
## Even Exchange

answers

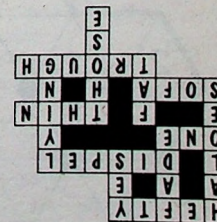
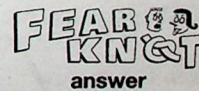
- Paddle, Puddle
- Track, Trace
- Court, Count
- Dodger, Lodger
- Alone, Alone
- Other, Other
- Gallop, Gallon
- Flash, Flask
- Saute, Sauce
- Iceland, Ireland



- SEY  
LEH SOA  
GYNIL  
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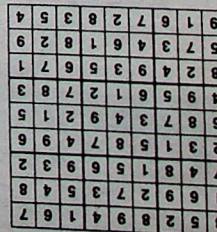


Unscramble these twelve letter strings to form each into an ordinary word (ex. HAGNEC becomes CHANGE). Prepare to use only ONE word from any marked (♥) letter string as each unscrambles into more than one word (ex. ♥ RATHC becomes HATER or EARTH or HEART). Fit each string's word either across or down to knot all twelve strings together.



Weekly SUDOKU

Answer

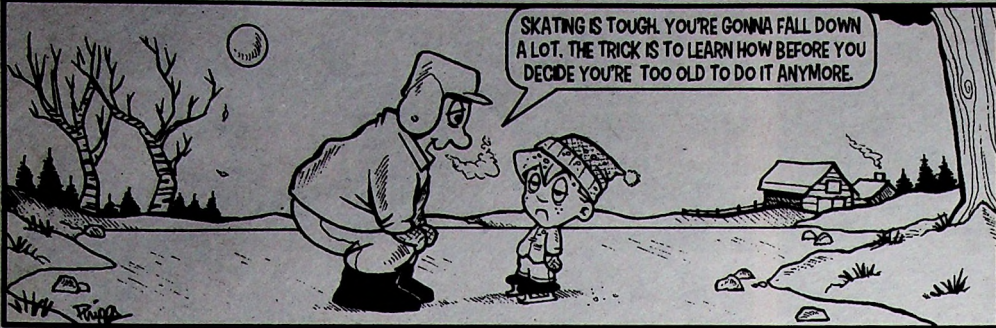


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# Amber Waves

by Dave T. Phipps



Out on a Limb

by Gary Kopervas



# Americanisms

"Christmas, my child, is love in action. Every time we love, every time we give, it's Christmas."  
—Dale Evans

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Just Like Cats & Dogs

by Dave T. Phipps



# No Peace on Earth for Visiting Dogs and Cats

**DEAR PAW'S CORNER:** My aunt and uncle insist on bringing their toy poodle, Frank, to the family gathering at my house this Christmas. The trouble is that my cat, Maximilian, cannot stand any dog. Especially Frank. Last year, Maxi chased Frank all around the house and scratched his snout pretty badly. I know they're going to bring Frank again, because they bring him everywhere. I don't want to tell them not to come. How can I have peace in the house this holiday? —Shane in Hyde Park, New York

**DEAR SHANE:** I'm already envisioning your aunt and uncle as the sort who let their poodle run rampant throughout the house, clambering on

laps and begging for bits of food under the table, right? And they want everyone to think of Frank as a charming little guy.

Maxi's aggression toward Frank isn't surprising. Cats are territorial, and most instinctively don't like dogs. Some barely tolerate other cats. Frank's presence is very stressful for Maxi, and one visit a year will not help the two become more socialized. Since Frank is coming to the party no matter what, you need to concentrate on reducing Maxi's stress and plan for ways to keep him comfortable and away from the poodle. Designate a room in your house as Maxi's refuge on the day of the family gathering. Place his bedding, toys, food and water in it and keep him there during the event.

What if the gathering takes place over two or more days? You'll need to talk with your aunt and uncle and work out a schedule so that Maxi can roam the house while Frank is placed in a room, and vice versa.

How do you deal with multiple pets at holiday gatherings? Tell us at [ask@pawscorner.com](mailto:ask@pawscorner.com).  
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# WORD LADDERS

Can you go from SELLS to STARK in 6 words? Change one letter for each rung in the ladder.

SELLS

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

STARK

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by Ryan A. Berenz

1. Dan Baker has served as the public address announcer for what Major League Baseball team since 1972?
2. What Pro Football Hall of Fame running back announced his retirement from the NFL via a fax letter to "The Wichita Eagle" newspaper in July 1999?
3. Name the American tennis player who won nine Grand Slam women's singles titles in the 1950s and died of ovarian cancer at age 34 in 1969.
4. The Florida Tuskies, Hartford Colonials, Omaha Night-

hawks and Virginia Destroyers were teams that competed in what pro football league that operated from 2009-2012?

5. What Italian boxer won two middleweight title fights against Emile Griffith in a trilogy of bouts from 1967-68?
6. Industrialist Tom Yawkey was owner of what Major League Baseball team from 1933-76?
7. What Baseball Hall of Famer from Puerto Rico was National League Rookie of the Year in 1958 and NL MVP in 1967?

# Answers

1. The Philadelphia Phillies.
2. Barry Sanders.
3. Maureen Connolly.
4. The United Football League (UFL).
5. Nino Benvenuti.
6. The Boston Red Sox.
7. Orlando Cepeda.

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# WORD LADDER

Answer

STARS, STARE, STARK  
SELLS, SEARS, SEARS

# SCRAMBLERS

solution

SPOKEN

Today's Word

3. Strain; 4. Compel

1. Clasp; 2. Slack

# SCRAMBLERS

Unscramble the letters within each rectangle to form four ordinary words. Then rearrange the boxed letters to form the mystery word, which will complete the gag!

Clutch \_\_\_\_\_

Loose \_\_\_\_\_

Burden \_\_\_\_\_

Urge \_\_\_\_\_

SCALP \_\_\_\_\_

LACKS \_\_\_\_\_

INSTAR \_\_\_\_\_

CLOMPE \_\_\_\_\_

# TODAY'S WORD

\_\_\_\_\_



"I bought it as a conversation piece, my husband hasn't \_\_\_\_\_ with me since!"

# Micro Crossword

By Elizabeth C. Gorski

# Across

- 1 Sloe Gin \_\_\_\_\_
- 5 Count with an orchestra
- 6 Dishwasher brand
- 7 Katherine of "27 Dresses"
- 8 Sums things up?

|   |   |   |   |
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| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| 5 |   |   |   |
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| 7 |   |   |   |
| 8 |   |   |   |

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3 Witty criticisms

4 Gusto

5 \_\_\_\_\_ Men ("Who Let the Dogs Out" band)

# Down

- 1 World-renowned
- 2 "To reiterate ..."

# STREAMING SOURCE

Here's what to watch and where to watch it for the week of December 25, 2023

- ON NOW:** "Single's Inferno" (Season 3) — *Netflix*
- ON NOW:** "Trevor Noah: Where Was I?" (Comedy Special) — *Netflix*
- ON NOW:** "Ricky Gervais: Armageddon" (Comedy Special) — *Netflix*
- 25-Dec:** "The Madame Blanc Mysteries" (Season 3, Episode 1) — *Acorn TV*
- 26-Dec:** "Letterkenny" (Season 12) — *Hulu*
- 26-Dec:** "Sound of Freedom" (PG-13) — *Prime Video*
- 27-Dec:** "Hell Camp: Teen Nightmare" (Documentary) — *Netflix*
- 28-Dec:** "Pokemon Concierge" (Season 1) — *Netflix*
- 29-Dec:** "It Lives Inside" (PG-13) — *Hulu*
- 29-Dec:** "Berlin" (Season 1) — *Netflix*

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# Micro Crossword

Answer

|   |   |   |   |
|---|---|---|---|
| S | D | D | V |
| L | G | I | H |
| A | N | A | M |
| E | S | I | B |
| Z | Z | F | I |





BAKER, BRAVERMAN, BARBADORO, P.C., a Quincy-based full-service law firm, supported numerous local nonprofit organizations this holiday season. Above: On Dec. 13th, BBB hosted a well-attended Christmas Party for the seniors that belong to the City of Quincy's Council on Aging. The luncheon was catered by Craig's Café. The firm also hosted a Fall Donation Drive to benefit Interfaith Social Services during the month of November (right). Courtesy Photos



## Baker, Braverman, Barbadoro, P.C. Gives Back This Holiday Season

Baker, Braverman, Barbadoro, P.C., a Quincy-based full-service law firm, supported numerous local nonprofit organizations this holiday season.

BBB hosted a Fall Dona-

tion Drive to benefit Interfaith Social Services during the month of November. The office collected and donated critical items to those supported by ISS.

The firm and also "ad-

opted" a family in need through QCARE (Quincy After School Child Care, Inc.), and bought Christmas gifts for the children.

On Dec. 13th, BBB hosted a well-attended Christ-

mas Party for the seniors that belong to the City of Quincy's Council on Aging. The near 100-person lunch was held at the Kennedy Center and was catered by Craig's Café.

"We are grateful to be

able to support some wonderful organizations in and around the South Shore. So many of our attorneys and professionals are involved in the community and take on these endeavors to give back, and celebrate the holiday season," said Paul Bar-

badoro, Managing Partner. Baker, Braverman, Barbadoro, P.C. recently moved to 1200 Crown Colony Drive, Suite 610 and hosted a Holiday Open House for clients, friends and family on Dec. 7th.

## OBITUARIES

### Florence M. Griffith, 92

Florence M. (Voelkel) Griffith, 92, passed away peacefully at her home on December 14, 2023 surrounded by her loving family.

Florence was born in South Boston on May 12, 1931 and was the daughter of the late Gustave and Florence (Duffy) Voelkel. She grew up in South Boston and moved to the Squantum section of Quincy 64 years ago. Prior to dedicating her life to her family as a homemaker, Florence worked at

Liberty Mutual as an administrative assistant.

She was the beloved wife of the late Robert P. Griffith who died in 2009. Devoted mother of Paul R. Griffith (QFD Retired) and his wife Mary (Gordon) Griffith, Kathleen (Griffith) O'Brien and her husband Michael O'Brien both of Quincy and the late Jacqueline (Griffith) Carter and her late husband David Carter of Holbrook.

Florence was the loving Nana to 11 grandchildren - Christine, Michelle and

David Carter, Paul Jr., Michael, Jonathan and Allison Griffith, Jennifer (Griffith) Alves, Bridget (O'Brien) Joyce, and Shannon and Maureen O'Brien. She was blessed with 9 great grandchildren - Jourdin, Brenna, Ayla, Leah, Selina, Kate, Logan, Merri and Jonny Jr.

She is survived by her sister Elrieda O'Brien and her husband Charles of Quincy, Marion Jordan and her late husband James of Rockledge, FL. She was predeceased by her brothers Arthur, William, and Edward, and her sisters Arline Cooper and Diane Voelkel. The sisters were known as the "famed" sisters of South Boston.

Florence leaves behind many nieces and nephews, extended family members, dearest friends and wonderful neighbors who were all more like family.

One of her many joyful moments was when she was selected to go on Candlepins for Cash at the Wollaston Bowladrome and won a trophy.

Flo and Bob were fortunate enough to have been able to travel with family and friends. There were numerous cruises, a trip to Hawaii and many trips to Disney World.

One of their favorite places to visit was to her sister Marion's home in Florida. Marion was kind enough to open her house up to them for many years and the past fourteen years to Flo allowing her to enjoy the winters, as she was fortunate to be a snowbird. Flo was able to enjoy the warm sunshine and her time in Florida with the love and support of family members



**FLORENCE M. GRIFFITH** Marion, Michael, Tommy, Neyna, and many of Marion's friends who played cards and attended frequent prayer groups together. She was cared for by wonderful health care professionals in both Massachusetts and Florida.

Florence was kind, non-judgemental, quick witted, respected, beautiful, down to earth, classy and fun all rolled into one. She will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved her.

Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to greet the family during the visiting hours on Wednesday, Dec. 20, 2023, 4-8 p.m. in the Keohane Funeral Home, 785 Hancock St., Quincy.

A Celebration of Life Service will be held in the funeral home at 9 a.m. on Thursday, Dec. 21, 2023, prior to the Funeral Mass at Divine Mercy Parish in Sacred Heart Church, Quincy at 10 a.m.

Services will conclude with interment in the Massachusetts National Cemetery, Bourne, at 12:30 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be sent in Florence's name to the John T. Pelton Scholarship by visiting: [www.umb.edu/peltonfund](http://www.umb.edu/peltonfund), or to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105.

### Arthur E. 'Ted' Anastasi, 82

Arthur E. "Ted" Anastasi, age 82, a longtime resident of Quincy, died peacefully, Friday, Dec. 15, 2023 surrounded by his loving family.

Arthur was born in Quincy, to the late Arthur F. and Elizabeth C. (Henderson) Anastasi. Raised and educated there, he attended Quincy High School. He lived in Quincy for most of his life.

Ted was proud to have served in the United States Navy as a Boiler Technician Second Class aboard the USS Hugh Purvis (DD-709) in the late 1950s and early 1960s.

Ted was employed as a steam engineer for the Boston Edison Company, Mystic Station in Everett, for 25 years. Following his retirement, he worked as an engineer for CB Richard Ellis at One Beacon Street, Boston, for over ten years.

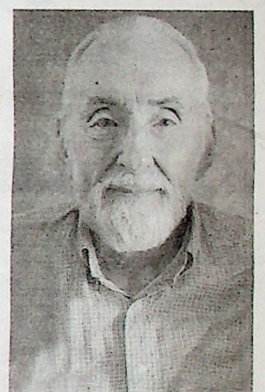
Ted was a longtime, active parishioner of Saint John the Baptist Parish in Quincy. He was a loyal supporter of many veterans' causes and the law enforcement community.

He enjoyed maintaining his home, working on cars, and in his spare time, building model airplanes. A jack-of-all-trades, he was skilled with his hands and had a knack for fixing things.

Most of all, he was completely devoted to his late wife, Cynthia, and his family.

Beloved husband of the late Cynthia L. (Linges) Anastasi.

Devoted father of Edward A. Anastasi and his wife Sue of South Weymouth, Christopher A. An-



ARTHUR E. 'TED' ANASTASI

astasi and his wife Ashley of N.C., Natasha E. Trieb of Quincy, and Abigail M. Furlong and her husband Chris of Lakeville.

Loving grandfather of Charlotte and Boston Anastasi, Logan Dunn and Gage Smith, C.J. Trieb and Kailee Merryfield, Keith and Nathan Furlong.

Dear brother-in-law of Christine Richards and uncle of Kevin Richards.

Visiting hours will be held at the Sweeney Brothers Home for Funerals, 1 Independence Ave., Quincy, on Thursday, Dec. 21, from 5 - 7 p.m. Relatives and friends are invited to attend. A Funeral Mass will be celebrated in Saint John the Baptist Church, 44 School Street, Quincy, on Friday, Dec. 22, at 10 a.m. Interment, with military honors, to follow at Mount Wollaston Cemetery, Quincy.

For those who wish, donations in Ted's memory may be made to Quincy Veterans Services, 24 High School Avenue, Quincy, MA 02169.

You are invited to visit [www.thesweeneybrothers.com](http://www.thesweeneybrothers.com) or call 617-472-6344.

### PATRIOT LEAGUE ALL-STARS 2023 Fall Sports Season

#### NORTH QUINCY HIGH SCHOOL

Will Conley - Football  
Michael Galligan - Football  
Michael Phinney - Football  
Ava Bryan - Girls Volleyball  
Sadie Johnston - Girls Volleyball  
Kathy Mo - Girls Volleyball (Kathy was named MVP of the Fisher Division)  
Brooklyn Rizzo - Girls Volleyball  
Justin Liu - Boys Soccer  
Jackie Manning - Girls Soccer  
Lucy McLaughlin - Girls Soccer  
Grace Cody - Girls Cross Country  
Aluna Coogan-Coyne - Girls Cross Country  
Zoe Nelson - Girls Cross Country  
Amelija Slezas - Girls Cross Country  
Aidan Bridges - Boys Golf  
John Toland - Boys Golf

#### QUINCY HIGH SCHOOL

Kevin Gray - Football  
Gabriel Rodrigues - Football  
Paige Mann - Girls Volleyball  
Declan Rogers - Boys Soccer  
Grace Connor - Girls Soccer  
Salma Boukhtam - Girls Cross Country (Salma was named MVP of the Fisher Division)  
Ryan Aitsaid - Boys Cross Country  
David Schmidt - Boys Cross Country  
Jack Dunn - Boys Golf





Courtesy Photos

## Friends Of Wollaston Beach Holds Annual Dick Herbert Memorial Toy Drive

WHAT AN AMAZING RESPONSE! The Friends of Wollaston Beach would like to thank all those who dropped by the Hancock Tavern recently for the annual Dick Herbert Memorial Toy Drive.

Some just dropped their gifts off. Others stayed around to enjoy some holiday camaraderie!

The generosity of FWB members and the general public was truly overwhelming.

"Not only did we fill an SUV with bags and boxes of toys," noted FWB President Maureen Mazrimas, "but others left checks for Interfaith Social Services (ISS). A truly inspiring and heartwarming event! A warm response on a chilly night."

Mazrimas also said that it is not too late to help out.

"The need is not confined to the holidays. For our neighbors who have lost their jobs, or who have fallen upon hard times, Interfaith is a lifeline that is there for them year round."

To see how you can help, please go to ISS's website: <https://interfaithsocialservices.org>.

Special thanks to board members Susan, Bob, Courtney, Christine, Doug and Michael for all their help in arranging the venue, transporting toys, promoting the event, etc. Your help was invaluable. A huge shout out to the Moriarty family who acted as gatekeepers, positioning themselves at the front to welcome guests, sign them in, collect toys, and aided in filling Santa's bags for transport to ISS.

Thanks to Bruce Ayers, Cathy Mullin and Bob Verney for "picking up the tab" for the food. Thank you Kate and Paige



of Hancock Tavern for your exceptional service. Thanks to all who helped make this a memorable evening.

Santa's helpers from FWB delivered the toys (and checks) to their counterparts at Interfaith Social Services. It was gratifying to see the outpouring of generosity from so many in our community.

Thanks so much! The Friends of Wollaston Beach wish you all the joys this holiday season brings!



## Zoning Board OKs Quincy Ave. Cannabis Dispensary

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Skulte added that his client planned to spruce up the parking lot and add new landscaping along the frontage and elsewhere to boost the curb appeal of the site.

The zoning board received three letters from residents of Bower Road who said they were opposed to the dispensary opening on the site. Another resident of Bower Road, Pat Croall, spoke during the hearing and said he was concerned because a bus stop for Quincy Public Schools students was located across the street from the proposed dispensary.

"Let's not keep the children of Quincy on the sidelines here. They're going to see it every day, they're going to ask questions of their parents," Croall said. "Let's help the children grow with-

out the view of a pot shop. That's important. This is our children."

Ward 2 Councillor-elect Richard Ash said he had heard from area residents in both Quincy and Braintree who were concerned about the dispensary. Their concerns include the proximity of the school bus stop to the store, traffic in the area, and the dispensary's customers waiting for the MBTA bus that runs along Quincy Avenue. Ash also noted that Quincy Cannabis Company, another recreational dispensary, is located a mile away on Washington Street.

"Unfortunately, and as great and nice and amenable as the applicant sounds, the residents' concerns are summarized right here," Ash said. "I'd be happy to work with the applicant after the fact, whatever the board decides, but those were the

residents' issues."

One resident, John Rodophele of Grenwood Road, spoke in favor of the application. He said the location on Quincy Avenue is a good one for a dispensary.

"We're going to get a lot of Braintree people, a lot of Weymouth people, and we're going to get taxes out of those people," Rodophele said. "If marijuana stores are a bad idea, then liquor stores are even a worse idea, and I don't think either one of them are an evil."

Following the public hearing, the zoning board unanimously approved the request.

Martin Aikens, the chairperson of the board, said the dispensary would generate less traffic than the Burger King used to.

"This is going to have a lot less traffic than a Burger King, like one-tenth of what

a Burger King does. To me, a main drag like that, that's where they belong, on a main drag. People get in, get out," Aikens said. "I'll be voting in favor. I think it's a nice project. I think it's cleaning up the neighborhood there. And it's recreational marijuana. They go in, they get a bag, they get in the car and leave."

Brian Radell said that voters in Massachusetts had approved legalizing recreational marijuana.

"I understand the concerns of the neighborhood. It's been voted for; it's passed. It's part of the future of our neighborhoods," Radell said. "We've got to get kids to understand what's right and what's wrong, just like there's a liquor store on every corner now and they sell booze at every 7-Eleven in the country."

# We Swim For Bob.

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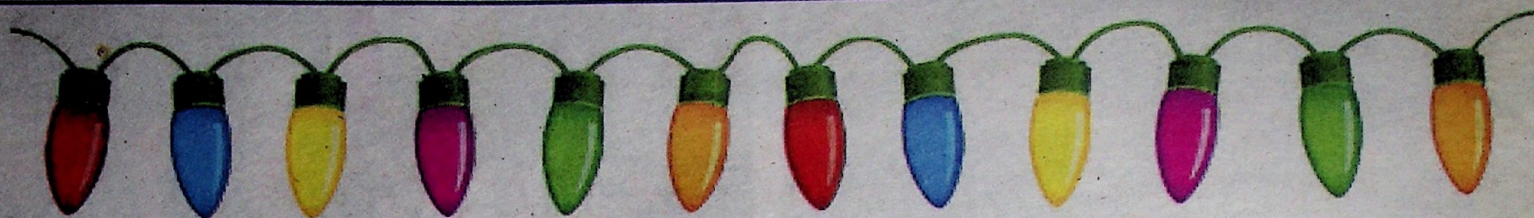
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for their continued support  
as we work to keep  
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this great City of Presidents a  
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